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Town Officers - 1955

ELECTED

MODERATOR	Kenneth W. Ulman
SELECTMEN	Ralph I. Lindsey, Chairman
Vincent P. O'Brien	Edward K. Hempel
TOWN CLERK AND COLLECTOR OF TAXES	Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr., 1958; 1956
TOWN TREASURER	Robert G. Byrne, 1956
WATER AND SEWERAGE COMMISSIONERS	Harold C. Hudson, 1958, Chairman
Alfred N. Frazier, 1956	George B. Atkins, 1957
ASSESSORS	Ernest Manchin, 1957, Chairman
Thomas F. Collins, 1956	Anthony F. Pierre, 1958, Secretary
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS	Roland C. Booma, 1958, Chairman
Lewis H. Berry, 1956, Secretary	Frederick C. Burk, 1957
SCHOOL COMMITTEE	George A. Chadwell, 1957, Chairman
Walter H. Forbes, Jr., 1956	William H. Rothwell, II, 1958, Secretary
Theodore C. Sargent, 1956	Lillian I. White, 1957
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY	George W. Howe, 1958, Chairman
Ruth M. Barry, 1957, Secretary	Nelson J. Darling, Jr., 1956
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE	Paul C. Curtis, 1958
Donald Redfern, 1956	Norman A. Ulman, 1957, Chairman
BOARD OF HEALTH	Dr. Loring Grimes, 1956, Chairman*
Dr. Robert C. Thompson, 1957	Dr. Robert H. Bessom, Chairman**
	E. Wallace Donald, 1958
SURVEYOR OF HIGHWAYS	Timothy J. Ryan, 1957
CONSTABLES	Leonard H. Bates
John J. Mattera	Wayne Anderson
PLANNING BOARD	Harold M. King, 1958, Chairman
Gordon L. Brown, 1956	Alexander B. Way, Jr., 1960
James R. Maddock, 1957, Secretary	Ralph L. Williams, 1959
COMMISSIONERS OF TRUST FUNDS	Dana V. Humphrey, 1957
Harold R. Austin, 1956	Henry S. Baldwin, 1958
SWAMPSCOTT HOUSING AUTHORITY	Gerald H. Pashby, Chairman
David F. Doherty, 1956	(State Appointee)
John A. Massey, 1958	Eugene S. Moreau, 1959
	Thomas W. Duncan, 1960

* Deceased
** Appointed
† Retired
‡ Resigned

APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

SECRETARY OF SELECTMEN	**Richard A. Wales**
TOWN COUNSEL	James W. Santry, Jr.
TOWN ACCOUNTANT	I. Murray Adams
TOWN ENGINEER	Howard L. Hamill
ASSISTANT ENGINEER	George H. Melcher
DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE	Robert O'Neill

SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERY	Arthur E. Hardy
FOREST WARDEN	Walter M. Champion, Jr.
MOTH SUPERINTENDENT	Frederick C. Burk
BUILDING INSPECTOR	Raymond O. Doane
ASSISTANT INSPECTOR	William H. Sutherland
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	C. Walter Burrill
CUSTODIAN OF ADMINISTRATION BUILDING	John G. McLearn
ASSISTANT CUSTODIANS	Leonard H. Bates John Cameron
DOG OFFICER	John A. Boston
FENCE VIEWERS	Howard L. Hamill Raymond O. Doane
MEASURER OF LUMBER	Harold O. Durgin
SHELLFISH CONSTABLES	Stanley G. Potier John J. Mattera
DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES and BURIAL AGENT	Newton S. Courtney
VETERANS' SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD	Clement Kennedy, Chairman
Carl Glazer, M.D.	Eustis B. Grimes
Anthony F. D'Agnese	Albert F. Pashby
Moses Schectman	
TRUSTEES OF WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL FUND	Ernest Manchin, 1956, Chairman
Clement Kennedy, 1956	Albert F. Pashby, 1958
David F. Doherty, 1956	Benjamin Goldberg, 1958
Philip H. Stafford, 1957	
John R. Cooper, 1957	
BOARD OF REGISTRARS	
Patrick A. Devine, 1956	Dorothy M. Collins, 1958
Donald L. Sawyer, 1957	Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr., Clerk Ex-Officio
SMOKE INSPECTOR	**Raymond O. Doane**
INSPECTOR OF WIRES	Fred Sargent
CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT	Walter M. Champion, Jr.**
Charles H. Lampard†	
CHIEF OF POLICE and KEEPER OF LOCKUP	Francis P. Wall
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AGENT	Cedric L. Arnold
BOARD OF APPEALS	C. Glover Bowes, 1956, Chairman
Eustis B. Grimes, 1957	T. Paul Corcoran, Jr., 1958
CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD	John G. McLearn, 1956, Chairman
Harold R. Austin, 1958	I. Murray Adams, Secretary
VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE	Albert F. Pashby
Austin D. Mosco	
G. E. Hutchinson	
Albert Ralph	
FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE	Frank G. Colletti
Antonio Parletta	Michael S. Pagnotta
Edward F. Flynn, Jr.	Frederick C. Burk
Francis P. Wall, Chief of Police	Lawrence O. Witter
Lewis H. Berry	Charles H. Lampard, Fire Chief

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE — Harry M. Shanahan
Karlos D'Agnese
Harvey H. Beadle

RENT CONTROL BOARD — William H. McIntyre, Chairman‡
John R. Cooper — Spencer E. Olson, Chairman**
Everett C. Howe — Gorham L. Dermody
Louis A. Hershman

APPOINTED BY MODERATOR

FINANCE COMMITTEE — Jacob Shactman, Chairman, 1956
Richard Chambers, 1956 — Selden P. Hulquist, 1957
Harvey P. Newcomb, 1956 — Richard Johnson, 1958
Vera F. Gould, 1956 — Francis N. Lang, Secretary
Martin Kirkpatrick, 1956
Herbert Heggie, 1956

BUILDING BY-LAWS REVISION COMMITTEE — Raymond O. Doane
David J. Abrahams — Edwin A. Fuller
Donald C. Goss — John F. Milo

WAGE COMMITTEE — Norman Randell
Frederick N. Balsor — William E. Carey
Charles E. Hanmann — Gerald H. Pashby
Harvey P. Newcomb

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE — Richard Blake, Chairman
James W. Santry, Jr. — Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr.
Frank B. Wallis — William Carey
Paul C. Stevens — Richard Chambers

COMMITTEE TO STUDY BEACH RIGHTS — John J. Foley
Anthony F. Pierre — Norbert Ulman
Dr. Charles E. Donovan

COMMITTEE TO STANDARDIZE BUDGETS — Harold R. Austin, Chairman
David F. Doherty — I. Murray Adams
Eugene L. Abrams — Charles L. Blatchford

CENTRAL FIRE STATION COMMITTEE — David S. Kunian
Charles H. Lampard — Harold M. King
John F. Milo
J. Campbell Deveney

HADLEY SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE — George Knowlton
Burt Harding — Thomas Duncan
Roger G. Skinner — Lillian White

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE — George Chadwell
Madeline Clark — John Lilly
Frederick Broughton — John Donovan
Richard Johnson — Herbert Klein
Richard Coughlin — Lawrence McGinn

Town Meeting Members

PRECINCT ONE

Expiration 1956	Expiration 1957	Expiration 1958
I. Murray Adams	Reno S. Bisegna	Frederick N. Balsor
Leonard H. Bates	Thomas J. Boyce, Jr.	Gertrude P. Balsor
Leonard H. Bates, Jr.	Theodore A. Brown	J. Dane Chandler
Lewis H. Berry	Mary A. Cappucio	Laura M. Cole
Chester E. Bradley	Joseph Fiore	Anthony M. D'Agnese
William J. Carlin	Nicholas Gallo	Thomas Douglas
Frederick R. Champion	Eric A. Holmgren	Geremia Foglietta
John H. Cropley, Jr.	Selden D. Hulquist	Lillian T. Friedman
Frank A. Drinkwater	Ralph H. Jackson, Jr.	Bennett Gallo
William F. Durgin, Jr.	Hazel I. Johnson	Robert B. Hegarty
Alfred N. Frazier	Doris B. Linden	William A. Hinch
Herbert F. Frazier, Jr.	Davis A. Nickerson	Karl V. Johnson
Otto W. Friedman	Raymond H. Nickerson	Kenneth T. Johnson
C. Frank Hathaway	Charles P. Picariello	Robert A. Linden
Andrew B. Holmes, Jr.	Joseph S. Rodrick	Frank R. Roach
Paul L. Koch	Pearl A. Snow	Woodbury L. Rodrick, Jr.
J. Richard Maitland	Arthur Ventre	Charles E. Snow
Arnold L. Snow	Ralph W. Wade	Carl F. Turner

PRECINCT TWO

Expiration 1956	Expiration 1957	Expiration 1958
Thomas E. Andresen	James E. Champion	Charles L. Blatchford
Philip J. Blood	Jeanne M. Craig	*Leon Blumberg
Frederick P. Brown	John R. Daley	Archie C. Cornish, Jr.
Thomas J. Cahill	George H. Dee	Stuart W. Graham
Peter Cassidy	David F. Doherty	Michel Lerner
George A. Chadwell	Leo W. Frechette	Robert P. Loring
Richard Chambers	Eva A. Hardy	Chandler E. Marble
Albert E. Devitt	William S. Healy	John A. Massey
Raymond O. Doane	Herbert C. Heggie	Elmer E. Morley
Lyndon W. Ellis	Harold M. King	*Lorna A. Nelson
Arthur E. Hardy	Cleo P. Leawood	*Monte Nelson
Edward K. Hempel	Gertrude G. Massey	Gerald H. Pashby
Harold J. Keating	Philip H. Stafford	Anthony F. Pierre
Herbert D. Klein	John Stone	Jean W. Potter
Robert MacKenzie	Donald J. Warnock	Walter L. Ranger
Thomas M. Newth	John H. Watts	Joseph P. Ryan
Albert F. Pashby	Norman C. Whitten	Kenneth W. Ulman
*Fred H. Whittier, Jr.	Philip M. Whitten	Norbert A. Ulman

PRECINCT THREE

Expiration 1956	Expiration 1957	Expiration 1958
George B. Atkins	Robert L. Benford	Eugene L. Abrams
Harold R. Austin	Alfred F. Chatterton	Egbert H. Ballard
Henry S. Baldwin	Roland N. Devitt	John Cameron
Clarence C. Bates	Howell E. Estey	Charles F. Chapman
Ralph E. Bicknell	Ralph E. Gould	Donald W. Fessenden
John A. Boston	John Clarke Kane	Leon A. Hackett
Robert G. Byrne	John G. McLearn	Roger W. Henry
Harry E. Cahoon	Dorothy W. Mills	Harold C. Hudson
Thomas F. Collins	Ernest O. Mills	Arthur T. Lees
Adolf G. DiBenedetto	Edward E. Moore	Ralph I. Lindsey
Harold G. Enholm	Spencer E. Olson	Charles Losano, Jr.
Clarence M. Finch	Margaret M. Scanlon	Fred W. Mahan
†Loring Grimes	Harry M. Shanahan	Joseph F. Massidda
Philip H. Kitfield	Roger G. Skinner	Austin D. Mosco
John J. Lally	George W. Smith	Ralph N. Murray
Ernest Manchin	Richard A. Wales	Alden B. Sleeper
Daniel J. Myers	Herman E. Zahr, Jr.	Lawrence O. Witter
Harvey P. Newcomb	Henry J. Zimmermann	Vacancy

PRECINCT FOUR

Expiration 1956	Expiration 1957	Expiration 1958
*Walter K. Anderson	Richard B. Coan	*Leta E. Anderson
Charles H. Bickford	Harry G. Davis	Barbara Bailey
Chester A. Brown	Edith P. Deutsch	Benjamin B. Blanchard
Edward F. Burke	Ralph B. Earle	William E. Carey
†Harold F. Carlson	Lester B. Farwell	Edward P. Carroll
Walter M. Champion, Jr.	Loring R. Frazier	Doris A. Coletti
Frank G. W. Coletti	‡Helen E. Gillen	John R. Cooper
Richard Coughlin	George W. Howell	Gorham L. Dermody
Paul C. Curtis	Harold G. Hussey	James E. Hanley
Albert G. Doane	James R. Maddock	Burt F. Harding
Elizabeth W. Forbes	Harold I. Power	Carl E. Hardy
Walter H. Forbes, Jr.	Arthur Shulkin	John P. Ingalls, Jr.
Vera F. Gould	Willard F. Stearns	Osmund O. Keiver, Jr.
George E. Hutchinson	Hatherley A. Stoddard	Frank G. Melvin
Andrew R. Linscott	B. Shapleigh Symonds	Wilbur T. Moulton
Harry D. Linscott	Robert L. Webster	George J. Place
Raymond P. Miller	Roger A. Williams, Jr.	Robert C. Smith
Vincent P. O'Brien	Vacancy	Frank S. Stowell

PRECINCT FIVE

Expiration 1956	Expiration 1957	Expiration 1958
Thomas A. Bailey	David J. Abrahams	Glenn W. Bartram
Israel Bloch	Bernard L. Baker	C. Glover Bowes
Dorothy M. Booma	Edith M. Bloch	Leslie L. Broadbridge
Roland C. Booma	Joseph Braccio	William D. Brown, Jr.
James W. Buchanan	Frederick C. Burk	Joseph Cardillo
Louis C. Bufalino	Maxwell Field	Edward D. Cook
Edward T. Chamberlain	*Philip M. Folger	Vincent B. Easterbrooks
Donald E. Costin	Michael M. Ingalls	M. Virginia Fallon
John P. Costin	F. Martin Kirkpatrick	Edwin A. Fuller
Samuel S. Fallon	Elihu N. Morse	Eustis B. Grimes
Roger N. Howes	Carl J. Pagano	Walter V. Hatfield
Edward D. Loveday	Ervin D. Remick, Jr.	Francis N. Lang
Francis H. Maitland	Harold S. Rubin	John J. Mattera
Ralph Mayo	Jacob Shactman	Ralph S. Maxwell
Lester B. Morley	Francis L. Smith	June Morse
Marion Doen Morse	Thomas W. Southward	Anthony J. Queena
Amos E. Russell	Harold P. Symmes	William H. Rothwell, 2nd
James W. Santry, Jr.	Donald S. Whidden	Harold P. Willett

PRECINCT SIX

Expiration 1956	Expiration 1957	Expiration 1958
John H. Blodgett	Dorothy K. Allison	Douglas F. Allen
Richard P. Breed	Richard G. Appel, Jr.	Donald W. Blodgett
Richard P. Breed, Jr.	Bradlee M. Backman	Dorothy S. Breed
William T. Carpenter	Richard E. Blake	Fred S. Brennan
Nelson J. Darling, Jr.	Philip N. Clerke	Bernard F. Carey
H. Sturgis Dexter	Charles M. Ewing	J. Campbell Deveney
A. Bruce Durkee	George J. Harrington	Charles E. Donovan
Paul W. Fitzpatrick	Robert U. Ingalls	Richard B. Johnson
Bruce Hamlin	Bertram C. Jacobs	Forrest E. Mason, Jr.
George W. Howe	Harold A. Johnson	William H. McCarthy, Jr.
Robert F. Kimball	Thomas Nevils	William W. Prichard
Laurence B. Leonard	Arnold C. Reynolds	Joel W. Reynolds
Henry R. Mayo, Jr.	Owen J. Southwick	Albert N. Rothermel
Jeanne W. McCarthy	George F. Vincent	Theodore C. Sargent
Robert F. O'Neill	Frank B. Wallis	A. Hall Stiles, Jr.
E. Benjamin Redfield, Jr.	Lillian I. White	A. Stuart Walker
Crawford H. Stocker, Jr.	Grace C. Whiteacre	Kenneth T. White
John S. Way	Robert I. Williams	Ralph L. Williams

† Deceased
* Moved
‡ Resigned

Board of Selectmen

RALPH I. LINDSEY, *Chairman*
EDWARD K. HEMPEL
VINCENT P. O'BRIEN

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

We submit the following report for your information and consideration.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

After 38 years of faithful service to the Town and its people, Fire Chief Charles H. Lampard was retired from the Fire Department on September 23, 1955. He served in the capacity of chief of the department for 16 years and through his diligent efforts, Swampscott was justly proud of its excellent fire fighters. The Board extended its commendation to Mr. Lampard upon his retirement and wished him every happiness in future years.

On September 23, 1955, Deputy Chief Walter M. Champion, Jr., top man on the Civil Service list, was appointed Fire Chief by the Board.

The Annual Town Meeting of 1954 authorized the purchase of two, new 750 gallon pumpers for the Fire Department and this equipment manufactured by the Maxim Motor Company, Middleboro, Mass., was delivered to the Department in the spring of 1955 to replace outmoded equipment.

The Special Committee authorized by the Town Meeting to study the need of a new Central Fire Station is at present actively engaged in determining a possible location for such a building to replace the present one which was constructed in 1891.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Special Town Meeting of December 19, 1955, voted to establish the number of Reserve Police at seven instead of five as at present and the Board will take necessary steps to appoint two more Reserves from the Civil Service list during 1956 thus a proper organizational balance between Regulars, Reserves, and Specials now performing Police work will be maintained.

At the request of many Townspeople, the Board sponsored an article in the Special Town Meeting held June 27, 1955 to see if the Town would authorize funds in order that the Board might appoint women to act as Special Police Officers in the Police Department and assist in the control of traffic in the school areas during school hours. Having received approval from the Town Meeting, the Board appointed thirteen women as Special Police Officers on September 1, 1955 and has received many favorable comments on the splendid work these smartly uniformed policewomen have been performing. The Board believes these women have done much to control traffic in heavily congested school areas and that they are a definite credit to the Town.

TRAFFIC AND DRIVING PROBLEMS

During 1955, the Board continued its efforts to have excessive speeding on the Town's streets reduced through periodic Police Department campaigns and upon recommendations of the Chief of Police further amendments to the Traffic Rules and Regulations were made as required.

A traffic island constructed by the State at the interesection of Franklin Avenue and Paradise Road has helped greatly to control the traffic at this dangerous intersection.

STREET LIGHTING

We have continued our efforts in 1955 to improve street lighting in Swampscott..

The Town Meeting having authorized the Board to relight Humphrey Street from the Lynn line to Commonwealth Avenue, the Lynn Gas & Electric Company proceeded during the summer months to remove thirty-one existing fixtures on Humphrey Street and to install thirty-nine 20,000 lumen Mercury street lights. We now feel that this most heavily traveled thoroughfare is now adequately lighted and it is hoped that having had additional surveys made, that more of the Town's streets may soon be relighted without materially increasing our expenses.

SELECTMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS

Swampscott retains membership in both the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association and in the Essex County Selectmen's Association.

The members of your Board have attended both Association's meetings and feel that these are excellent sources of information and enable us to carry out our official duties more effectively.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

With the establishment of a Department of Public Works being adopted by the voters on March 21, 1955, to become effective in 1956, the Board of Selectmen wishes to express its sincere thanks to the Cemetery and Engineering Departments which pass from the jurisdiction of the Selectmen to the Department of Public Works, for their cooperation to the Board during the past year.

CONCLUSION

We have endeavored to conduct the portion of Town Government coming under our jurisdiction to the best of our abilities and express our gratitude to all those who have helped and supported us in our efforts.

Town Clerk

MALCOLM F. MACLEAN, JR., *Town Clerk*

TOWN WARRANT
Monday, March 21, 1955

Article 1. To choose a Moderator for one (1) year.

To choose three (3) members of the Board of Selectmen for one (1) year.

To choose a Town Clerk for three (3) years.

To choose a member of the Water and Sewerage Board for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Assessors for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Park Commission for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the School Committee for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Public Welfare for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Health for three (3) years.

To choose three Constables for one (1) year.

To choose one member of the Planning Board for five (5) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Commissioners of Trust Funds for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Commissioners of Trust Funds for two (2) years.

To choose one member of the Swampscott Housing Authority for five (5) years.

To choose eighteen representative Town Meeting Members in each precinct for three (3) years.

To choose one representative Town Meeting Member in Precinct One for two (2) years.

To choose one representative Town Meeting Member in Precinct Two for two (2) years.

To choose one representative Town Meeting Member in Precinct Two for one (1) year.

To choose two representative Town Meeting Members in Precinct Three for two (2) years.

To choose one representative Town Meeting Member in Precinct Four for two (2) years.

To choose one representative Town Meeting Member in Precinct Four for one (1) year.

To choose one representative Town Meeting Member in Precinct Six for one (1) year.

To choose one representative Town Meeting Member in Precinct Six for two (2) years.

And to vote on the following questions:

1. Shall Section 69C to 69F inclusive of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, providing for the establishment of a Board of Public Works exercising the powers of certain departments and town officers, be accepted? Yes ( ) No ( )

2. Shall the Board of Selectmen act as the Board of Public Works for the Town of Swampscott? Yes ( ) No ( )

3. Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year 1955, entitled: "An Act making the provisions of the civil service laws applicable to the Town of Swampscott with respect to its water and sewer departments" be accepted? Yes ( ) No ( )

4. Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five entitled, "An Act Relative to the Reference to the Voters in the Town of Swampscott of Certain Votes of Representative Town Meetings," be accepted? Yes ( ) No ( )

Article 2. To hear and act on the reports of town officials, boards, and committees. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and Town Treasurer.

Article 4. To see what action the town will take in relation to the recommendations calling for the appropriation or expenditure of money, and creation of a debt, or the disposition of town property as set forth in the report of officers, boards or committees. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 5. To see if the town will adopt the following by-law: All town officers shall pay all fees received by them by virtue of their office into the town treasury. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 6. To see what action the town will take in relation to the appropriation of money for departmental and other expenses for the year 1955. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 7. To see what action the town will take in relation to salaries of elected town officials for the ensuing year. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 8. To see if the town will authorize the Board of Assessors, the Board of Park Commissioners and the Planning Board, each, to appoint a member of such boards to act as secretary thereof and receive pay therefor, as provided by Chapter 41, Section 4A of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.). Sponsored by the Board of Assessors, the Board of Park Commissioners and the Planning Board.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to the account of unpaid bills for the purpose of settling all bills contracted prior to January 1, 1955 and remaining unpaid at the time of the closing of the town's books for the year 1954 according to the records of the Town Accountant. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Fund of the town to the account of Current Revenue a sum of money to be used and applied by the Board of Assessors in reduction of the tax levy, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the proper observance of the Fourth of July or take any action relative thereto Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the proper observance of Memorial Day or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the proper observance of Veterans Day or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to carry on a sidewalk construction program under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 83, Sections 25 and 26, and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with money appropriated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the County of Essex for the repair or construction of highways as provided by Chapter 90 of the General Laws. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to authorize and direct the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain for highway purposes for widening the intersection of Paradise Road and Vinnin Street land on the southeasterly corner of Paradise Road and Vinnin Street and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to purchase two automobiles to be used as patrol cars for the Police Department and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and Chief of Police.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to purchase a motorcycle to be used by the Police Department and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to replace the present street lights on Humphrey Street from the Lynn line to Commonwealth Avenue with new and improved street lights, and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to widen Humphrey Street at the northwesterly corner of Humphrey Street and Forest Avenue and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to purchase a front-end loader-type tractor for the use of the Park Department and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to purchase a truck for the use of the Park Department and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to complete the construction of a little league ball field and equip it with a chain link fence, at the rear of Jackson Park, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners and Swampscott Little League.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to loam, seed and fertilize a section of Phillips Park for additional play space or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to black top the area in the rear of the Machon School which approaches Jackson Park play fields or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Park Commissioners to convert the roof of the rink house at Jackson Park to a combination roof and band stand and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to replace the memorial trees destroyed by the hurricanes and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Park Commissioners to erect a section of bleachers on the westerly side of Blocksidge Field at Phillips Park and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to transfer to the Park Department for park purposes Lots 17, 18, 19 and 20 on Plate 12 of the Assessors Plans and appropriate the necessary money therefor to clear the titles or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain for park purposes a lot of land owned by Albert D. Stone on The Greenway shown as Lot 21, Plate 12 of the Assessors Plans and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to purchase, take by eminent domain or accept as a gift two lots of land for park purposes owned by Ethel Austin located on Superior Street and shown as Lots 32 and 36, Plate 3 of the Assessors Plans and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain a right of way, twenty (20) feet in width, between Phillips Park and Puritan Lane across land of Florence Ross shown on the Town Assessors Maps as lot number 76 on plate number 24. Said right of way to be bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on Puritan Lane at the southeasterly corner of land of Mortimer C. and Florence L. Gryzmish; thence running N 18°-45′-00″ E a distance of ninety-one and eighty-eight one-hundredths (91.88) feet to land belonging to the Town of Swampscott known as Phillips Park; thence turning and running by said land of the Town of Swampscott S 72°-09′-50″ E a distance of twenty (20) feet; thence turning

and running E 18°-46′-00″ W by other land of said Florence Ross a distance of ninety and thirty-three one-hundredths (90.33) feet; thence turning and running by other land of said Florence Ross S 8°-03′-10″ W a distance of eighty-one and fifty-seven one-hundredths (81.57) feet to land of Sherwin and Marilyn Gerber; thence turning and running N 72°-10′-10″ W by said land of Sherwin and Marilyn Gerber a distance of twenty and twenty-nine one-hundredths (20.29) feet to the easterly side of Puritan Lane; thence turning and running N 8°-03′-10″ E by said easterly side of Puritan Lane a distance of eighty (80) feet to the point of beginning. Said right of way contains 3438 square feet of land. And appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to replace or rebuild the existing drain running from Humphrey Street in the Town of Swampscott across land of Temple Israel of Swampscott and Marblehead, Inc. and across land of Frederick R. Bogardus and Anne Bogardus and across other land to a drain on Atlantic Avenue and in connection therewith to take any necessary easement or easements by eminent domain or otherwise and to appropriate the necessary money therefor. Petitioned for by Samuel Freedman et al.

Article 34 To see what action the town will take relative to increasing the wages of all town employees and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by John A. McLearn et al.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to grant a ten (10%) percent increase in salaries for the permanent members of the Fire Department retroactive to January 1, 1955 and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by Francis H. Maitland et al.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to grant an increase in annual salary to the members of the Police Department, effective as of January 1, 1955, equal to ten (10%) percent of their present annual salary and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by William A. Hinch et al.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to approve the purchase of motor vehicle liability and property damage insurance for motor vehicles which are operated by the members of the Police Department and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by James C. Hanley et al.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to amend Article 9-A of the Town By-Laws by striking out said article as it now appears and substituting the following.

"The hours of duty of the permanent members of the uniformed fire fighting force in the Town of Swampscott other than hours during which such members may be summoned and kept on duty because of fire or conflagation shall not exceed an average of 56 hours per week over a nine week period." Petitioned for by Francis H. Maitland.

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to cover the cost of cleaning the Civil War Monument and the World War I boulder or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 40. To see if the town will vote to abate a condition on Phillips Beach Avenue which has been determined to be a nuisance by the Board of Health under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 111, Section 132 and direct the Board of Health to enter upon any land or lands which may be necessary for the purpose of making excavations, embankments and installing drains therein and

authorize the Board of Health to determine in what manner and at whose expense the improvements shall be kept in repair and estimate the benefit accruing to any person by reason of such improvements and what proportion of the cost in making and keeping the same in repair shall be maintained by the town and by the persons benefitting thereby as provided by General Laws, Chapter 111, Section 136 and appropriate the necessary money therefor from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Health.

Article 41. To see if the town will vote to lay a drain from Winshaw Road through Phillips Beach Avenue to Palmers Pond and authorize and direct the Water & Sewerage Board to acquire by eminent domain or otherwise the necessary easements therefor and appropriate the necessary money therefor from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Water & Sewerage Board.

Article 42. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Planning Board to have a survey made of the area between Gale Road, Puritan Road, Phillips Beach Avenue, Palmers Pond and the Ocean to determine what trunk line and other sewer extensions will be necessary to take care of removing sewage and other wastes from the Littles Point and Gale Estate areas and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sonsored by the Planning Board, the Board of Health and the Water and Sewerage Commissioners.

Article 43. To see if the town will vote to extend the sewers in any or all of the following streets: Banks Terrace, Pleasant Street, Salem Street, Essex Street and install a relief in sewer system at the junction of Grant and Farragut Roads and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Water & Sewerage Board.

Article 44. To see if the town will vote to install a drain in Erie Street and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Water & Sewerage Board.

Article 45. To see if the town will vote to repair chimney at Sewer Pumping Station and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Water & Sewerage Board.

Article 46. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Water & Sewerage Board to extend the water mains in any or all of the following streets: Elwin Road, Sampson Avenue, Fisher Avenue and Nichols Street, under the provisions of Section 25, Chapter 82 of the General Laws, and appropriate the necessary money therefor by transfer of the unexpended balance of the appropriation under Article 22 of the 1953 Annual Town Meeting, from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by the Upper Swampscott Improvement Association, Arthur E. Hardy, President.

Article 47. To see if the town will vote to reimburse Abram Bixby and William H. Rothwell, 2nd for the construction of a new drain under Littles Point Road and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto Petitioned for by William H. Rothwell, 2nd.

Article 48 To see if the town will vote to acquire by purchase or by eminent domain the land and buildings at the junction of Humphrey Street and Puritan Road shown as Lots 171 and 172 on Plate 19 of the Assessors Plans, containing in all approximately 10,100 square feet, Lot 171 standing in the name of Henry McGuire

and Lot 172 standing in the name of Frank H. Wetmore; the same to be acquired for and placed in charge of the Park Department as an extension of the Blaney Beach Reservation, or as part of the public domain under General Laws, Chapter 145, or otherwise to be acquired for any other purpose allowed by law which the town may by its vote hereon determine, and to appropriate the necessary money therefor by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto.

Petitioned for by Doris S. Cooley et al.

Article 49. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to settle the personal injury claim of Joseph P. Hines and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by Albert F. Pashby et al.

Article 50. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take the necessary steps to obtain plans and alter, repair, or renovate the house and garage on Capen Road now owned by the town for cemetery purposes said buildings to be used for cemetery office space, equipment storage space, workshop purposes, and garaging of cemetery vehicles and appropriate necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 51. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with the money appropriated under Article 33 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1954 for the purpose of laying out a new portion of the Cemetery or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Superintendent of the Cemetery.

Article 52. To see if the town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain necessary land for the erection of a new Central Engine House and on said land, erect and originally equip a new Central Engine House and appropriate the necessary money therefor from available funds by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Chief of the Fire Department.

Article 53. To see if the town will vote to purchase a photostat machine for the office of the Department of Veterans Services to be used to make copies of discharge certificates and other official papers for Swampscott veterans and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by Leon E. Abbott Post No. 57, Inc., The American Legion, Harvey H. Beadle, Commander.

Article 54. To see if the town will vote to amend Chapter 2B of the By-Laws by inserting therein the following Section 6A:

> "Upon the request of ten or more town meeting members, a roll call vote shall be taken on any motion properly before the Town Meeting."

Petitioned for by Leon A. Hackett et als.

Article 55. To see if the town will vote to extend Rent Control in the town of Swampscott as permitted by any appropriate legislation and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Article 56. To see if the town will vote to resurface Banks Circle and Banks Court and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Surveyor of Highways.

Article 57. To see if the town will vote to resurface Porter Court and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Surveyor of Highways.

Article 58. To see if the town will vote to resurface Shepard Road and construct storm drains and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Surveyor of Highways.

Article 59. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Surveyor of Highways to purchase a five-ton truck and sell or trade a 1936 five-ton truck and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Surveyor of Highways.

Article 60. To see if the town will purchase a Road Grader and sell or trade a Meade Morrison Tractor and Basin Cleaner toward the purchase of same and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Surveyor of Highways.

Article 61. To see if the town will vote to resurface Forest Avenue from Redington Street to Walnut Road and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by Edwin R. Gardner et al.

Article 62. To see if the town will vote to resurface, install necessary catch basins and curbstones on the accepted portion of Harrison Avenue and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by Lorne C. Davis et al.

Article 63. To see if the town will vote to accept Eureka Avenue a distance of approximately 240 feet as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with the plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by Fred E. Russell et al.

Article 64. To see if the town will vote to accept Young Avenue as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with the plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by J. M. Esterkes et al.

Article 65. To see if the town will vote to accept Aycliffe Road as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with the plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by William C. Hill et al.

Article 66. To see if the town will vote to accept Walnut Road from Forest Avenue south to Whitney Road as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by Sally Letterman et al.

Article 67. To see if the town will vote to accept Nantucket Avenue as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with the plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by Newton S. Courtney et al.

Article 68. To see if the town will vote to accept Worcester Avenue from the accepted portion to Hampshire Street as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by A. M. Florence Corraine et al.

Article 69. To see if the town will vote to accept Smith Lane as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necesary waivers and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by Benjamin Shulkin et al.

Article 70. To see if the town will vote to accept Forest Avenue a distance of approximately 100 feet easterly from the present line of acceptance as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer, on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by George J. Burke et al.

Article 71. To see if the town will vote to accept Swampscott Avenue from Paradise Road to Walker Road as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Petitioned for by Meyer Sussman et al.

Article 72. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $2200.00 for a Mosquito and Noxious Weed Program or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Health.

Article 73. To see if the town will vote to appropriate an additional sum of money to be used in conjunction with the appropriation under Article 36 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1954 for an addition to the Public Library or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Library Building Committee.

Article 74. To see if the Town will vote to construct and originally equip and furnish an addition to the Public Library on land adjacent to the present library according to plans and specifications prepared by Arland A. Dirlam and raise and appropriate the necessary money therefor by transferring from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Trustees of the Public Library and the Committee Appointed to Construct an Addition to the Public Library.

Article 75. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept as a gift Christmas lighting fixtures owned by the Swampscott Businessmen's Association or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Swampscott Businessmen's Association.

Article 76. To see if the town will vote to carry on a Christmas lighting program and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 77. To see if the town will vote to amend the building By-Laws of the Town of Swampscott by striking out all the provisions of the existing Building By-Laws and all amendments thereto now in force and effect and adopting in their

place new Building By-Laws as prepared by the committee appointed under Article 23 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1952. Sponsored by the Building By-Laws Revision Committee.

Article 78. To see if the town will vote to adopt the following By-Law:

The Board of Appeals, appointed under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40A, Section 14, shall also act as the Board of Appeals under the Subdivision Control Law as provided by General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 81Z.

Petitioned for by Israel Bloch et al.

Article 79. To see if the town will vote to adopt the following amendments to the Wire Inspection By-Laws by adding thereto the following section:

Section 7. Whoever violates any provisions of this By-Law shall be liable to a fine or not more than twenty dollars for each violation.

Sponsored by the Wire Inspector.

Article 80. To see if the town will vote to rezone the premises at 292 Humphrey Street, Swampscott, shown on Assessors Plans, Plate 2, Lots 142 from the Residence A3 District to Business B1 District. Petitioned for by Donald Redfern et al.

Article 81. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or otherwise dispose of real estate now or hereafter owned by the town and acquired through foreclosure or purchased under General Laws (Ter. Ed.), Chapter 60, as amended, for nonpayment of taxes and appropriate a sum of money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 82. To see what action the town will take on the matter of transferring certain unexpended balances, as shown on the books of the Town Accountant as of December 31, 1955, to the Excess and Deficiency Fund, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 83. To see if the town will vote to accept an act of the legislature for the year 1955 authorizing the town to pay Rosina Mastromarino, widow of Martin Mastromarino a former employee of the Highway Department, an annuity for life in the sum of twelve hundred ($1200.00) dollars per annum to be paid in equal monthly installments, and appropriate the necessary money therefor. Petitioned for by

Article 84. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to cover a portion of the expenses involved in the 30th Annual State Convention of the Massachusetts State Guard Veterans, Inc. and Auxiliary to be held in Swampscott, April 22-23-24, 1955 or take any action relative thereto as petitioned for by Alfred L. Johnson, Chairman, State Convention Committee, Massachusetts State Guard Veterans, Inc. and Auxiliary.

Article 85. To see if the Town will vote to accept The Greenway as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by Abbott W. Fish, Jr. et al.

Article 86. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise, under any general or special law which authorizes the town to raise money by borrowing or otherwise, such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for any or all of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, March 21, 1955

The following number of votes were cast:

Precinct 1	611
Precinct 2	587
Precinct 3	569
Precinct 4	492
Precinct 5	515
Precinct 6	480
Total Votes Cast	3254

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Moderator for 1 Year							
Kenneth W. Ulman (E)	394	432	416	366	363	364	2335
Blanks	217	155	153	126	152	116	919
Selectmen for 1 Year							
Frederick R. Champion	263	217	219	195	208	192	1294
Edward K. Hempel (E)	364	387	355	294	312	298	2010
Vincent P. O'Brien (E)	231	243	239	243	223	229	1408
Ralph I. Lindsey (E)	374	390	388	329	332	332	2145
Lawson H. O'Brien	321	267	255	198	202	107	1350
Blanks	280	257	251	217	268	282	1555
Town Clerk for 3 Years							
Malcolm F. MacLean,Jr.(E)	488	442	469	392	392	403	2586
Blanks	123	145	100	100	123	77	668
Water and Sewerage Commissioner for 3 Years							
Harold C. Hudson (E)	478	448	456	387	368	392	2529
Blanks	133	139	113	105	147	88	725
Assessor for 3 Years							
Thomas E. Andresen	195	227	258	277	245	262	1464
Anthony F. Pierre (E)	407	338	294	192	238	184	1653
Blanks	9	22	17	23	32	34	137
Park Commissioner for 3 Years							
Roland C. Booma (E)	488	420	436	365	373	398	2480
Blanks	123	167	133	127	142	82	774
School Committee for 3 Years							
William H. Rothwell (E)	203	231	204	153	214	248	1253
Osmund O. Keiver, Jr.	249	174	209	212	207	135	1186
Jean W. Potter	109	144	116	96	65	70	600
Blanks	50	38	40	31	29	27	215
Trustee of Public Library for 3 Years							
George W. Howe (E)	488	450	463	390	380	407	2578
Blanks	123	137	106	102	135	73	676
Board of Public Welfare for 3 Years							
Paul C. Curtis (E)	475	451	465	400	372	398	2561
Blanks	136	136	104	92	143	82	693
Board of Health for 3 Years							
E. Wallace Donald (E)	482	463	467	392	368	393	2565
Blanks	129	124	102	100	147	87	689
Constable for 1 Year							
Wayne Anderson (E)	443	426	416	354	337	347	2323
Leonard H. Bates (E)	447	444	450	370	355	356	2422
John J. Mattera (E)	465	435	432	363	379	365	2439
Blanks	478	456	409	389	474	372	2578
Planning Board for 5 Years							
Alexander B. Way, Jr. (E)	469	435	448	390	376	378	2496
Blanks	142	152	121	102	139	102	758

Commissioner of Trust Funds for 3 Years							
Henry S. Baldwin (E)	458	439	452	389	372	378	2488
Blanks	153	148	117	103	143	102	766
Commissioner of Trust Funds for 2 Years							
Dana V. Humphrey (E)	444	426	430	384	349	361	2394
Blanks	167	161	139	108	166	119	860
Housing Authority for 5 Years							
Thomas W. Duncan (E)	448	413	432	373	343	365	2374
Blanks	163	174	137	119	172	115	880
Question No. 1 Public Works							
Yes (E)	252	239	256	228	228	210	1413
No	229	231	213	179	175	145	1172
Blanks	130	117	100	85	112	125	669
Question No. 2 Public Works Board							
Yes	203	192	161	163	165	151	1035
No (E)	285	287	301	251	248	218	1590
Blanks	123	108	107	78	102	111	629
Question No. 3 Civil Service							
Yes (E)	359	302	308	288	266	227	1750
No	134	160	163	119	142	125	843
Blanks	118	125	98	85	107	128	661
Question No. 4 Representative Town Meeting							
Yes (E)	282	255	252	256	241	267	1553
No	144	158	167	98	119	58	744
Blanks	185	174	150	138	155	155	957

Town Meeting Members for 3 Years, Precinct 1

Frederick N. Balsor (E)	348	Robert A. Linden (E)	328
Gertrude P. Balsor (E)	302	Frank T. Roach (E)	353
J. Dane Chandler (E)	332	Charles E. Snow (E)	350
Laura M. Cole (E)	368	Carl F. Turner (E)	265
Anthony D'Agnese (E)	380	Thomas Douglas (E)	258
Geremia Foglietta (E)	308	Giovanni Gallo	254
Lillian T. Friedman (E)	334	Lawrence F. Picariello	236
Bennett Gallo (E)	354	Francesco Pietrogallo	223
Robert B. Hegarty (E)	318	George A. Promise	198
William A. Hinch (E)	342	Richard S. Rawding	230
Karl V. Johnson (E)	331	Woodbury L. Rodrick, Jr. (E)	317
Kenneth T. Johnson (E)	324	Blanks	3945

Town Meeting Member for 2 Years, Precinct 1

Charles P. Picariello (E)	365	Blanks	246

Town Meeting Members for 3 Years, Precinct 2

Charles L. Blatchford (E)	355	Kenneth W. Ulman (E)	382
Archie C. Cornish, Jr. (E)	360	Norbert A. Ulman (E)	347
Stuart W. Graham (E)	354	Leon Blumberg (E)	296
Robert P. Loring (E)	352	Michel Lerner (E)	290
John A. Massey (E)	371	Chandler E. Marble (E)	321
Elmer E. Morley (E)	375	Lorna A. Nelson (E)	307
Gerald H. Pashby (E)	383	Monte Nelson (E)	308
Anthony F. Pierre (E)	407	Jean W. Potter (E)	352
Walter L. Ranger (E)	358	Blanks	4164
Joseph P. Ryan (E)	384		

Town Meeting Member for 2 Years, Precinct 2

Cleo Leawood (E)	15	Blanks	572

Town Meeting Member for 1 Year, Precinct 2

Robert MacKenzie (E)	17	Blanks	570

Town Meeting Members for 3 Years, Precinct 3

Eugene L. Abrams (E)	360	Lawrence O. Witter (E)	378
Egbert H. Ballard (E)	352	Ralph I. Lindsey (E)	427
Donald W. Fessenden (E)	372	Alden B. Sleeper (E)	362
Leon A. Hackett (E)	350	Joseph Massidda (E)	42
Roger W. Henry (E)	360	Austin D. Mosco (E)	33
Harold C. Hudson (E)	375	Charles Chapman (E)	31
Charles Losano, Jr. (E)	368	John Cameron (E)	31
Fred W. Mahan (E)	350	Arthur Lees (E)	30
Ralph N. Murray (E)	372	Blanks	5619

Town Meeting Members for 2 Years, Precinct 3

Richard A. Wales (E)	424	Blanks	341
Herman E. Zahr (E)	373		

Town Meeting Members for 3 Years, Precinct 4

Leta E. Anderson (E)	328	Robert C. Smith (E)	308
Barbara Bailey (E)	306	Frank S. Stowell (E)	305
Benjamin B. Blanchard (E)	301	Carl E. Hardy (E)	281
William E. Carey (E)	323	John P. Ingalls, Jr. (E)	319
Edward P. Carroll (E)	314	Doris Coletti (E)	14
John R. Cooper (E)	314	Frank Melvin (E)	14
Gorham L. Dermody (E)	325	Osmund O. Keiver, Jr. (E)	14
Burt F. Harding (E)	311	James Hanley (E)	19
Wilbur T. Moulton (E)	302	Blanks	4441
George J. Place (E)	317		

Town Meeting Member for 2 Years, Precinct 4

Arthur Shulkin (E)	262	Blanks	230

Town Meeting Member for 1 Year, Precinct 4

Charles Bickford (E)	29	Blanks	463

Town Meeting Members for 3 Years, Precinct 5

Glenn W. Bartram (E)	251	William C. Beckert	129
C. Glover Bowes (E)	264	Thomas C. Barrett	105
Leslie L. Broadbridge (E)	266	William D. Brown, Jr. (E)	173
Joseph Cardillo (E)	250	Jack H. Caswell	122
Edward D. Cook (E)	248	Rosella G. Caswell	101
Vincent B. Easterbrooks (E)	246	Helen L. Fox	83
M. Virginia Fallon (E)	230	Leo Fox	76
Edwin A. Fuller (E)	219	Sidney Grob	64
Eustis B. Grimes (E)	244	Ida G. Ingalls	109
Walter V. Hatfield (E)	218	W. Bradford Ingalls	121
Francis N. Lang (E)	267	George C. Lyons	126
Ralph S. Maxwell (E)	231	John J. Mattera (E)	171
June Morse (E)	237	Norman D. Neipris	64
Anthony J. Queena (E)	168	James M. Reiley	106
William H. Rothwell, 2nd (E)	308	Emanuel Weinstein	68
Harold P. Willett (E)	227	Blanks	3707
Irving J. Alpert	71		

Town Meeting Members for 3 Years, Precinct 6

Douglas F. Allen (E)	284	Kenneth T. White (E)	283
Fred S. Brennan (E)	265	Ralph L. Williams (E)	259
Bernard F. Carey (E)	278	Donald W. Blodgett (E)	236
Charles E. Donovan (E)	220	Dorothy S. Breed (E)	224
Richard B. Johnson (E)	280	J. Campbell Deveney (E)	179
Forrest E. Mason, Jr. (E)	259	Wm. Newsome Eichorn	164
William H. McCarty, Jr. (E)	252	Allen Myers	153
William W. Prichard (E)	260	Lawrence W. Powers	113
Joel W. Reynolds (E)	283	Louis Rudolph	138
Albert N. Rothermel (E)	288	Dorothy J. Whitehouse	114
Theodore C. Sargent (E)	223	Theodore S. Whitehouse	93
A. Hall Stiles, Jr. (E)	289	Blanks	3273
A. Stuart Walker (E)	230		

Town Meeting Member for 1 Year, Precinct 6

H. Sturgis Dexter (E)	3	Blanks	477

Town Meeting Member for 2 Years, Precinct 6

Thomas Nevils (E)	10	Blanks	470

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, March 29, 1955

In accordance with the adjournment of Tuesday, May 11, 1954, the Town Meeting Members were called to order at 7:52 P.M., the necessary quorum being present (192).

Rev. Richard T. Broeg offered an Invocation.

The warrant with the return thereon was read by Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr., Town Clerk.

The Town Meeting Members were sworn in by the Town Clerk, Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr.

Voted: To dispense with the reading of Article 1.

Voted: Article 1: To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Job Classification and Wage Scale Committee be continued for further study and referred back to the next Annual Town Meeting. For: 174; Against: 79.

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, March 29, 1955

In accordance with the adjournment of Monday, March 21, 1955 the Town Meeting Members were called to order at 8:25 P.M., the necessary quorum being present.

The warrant with the return thereon, was read by Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr., Town Clerk.

The Town Meeting Members were sworn in by the Town Clerk, Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr.

Voted: That the reading of the records of the last meeting be omitted.

Voted: Article 2. The report of the By-Law Committee was read, and accepted.

Voted: Article 3. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning January 1, 1956, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws. Unanimous.

Voted: Article 4. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 5. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town Meeting authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of five members, no member of which shall be a Town employee or Town official, to study the amount and nature of all fees now charged and received by all Town departments or offices, the advisability of lowering or raising any or all of said fees within the law, the advisability of establishing salaries in place of fees in those

departments of offices which now retain fees collected, and amount of such salary or salaries which should be established, if any, and to make a report of its findings at the Annual Town Meeting of 1956.

Voted: That Article 6 be considered as a whole and without being read.

Voted: Item 178 Highway Supplies — $15,600.00

Voted: Item 200 Pensions — $40,340.34

Voted: Item 145 Health Department — $6,230.00

Voted: Item 138 Health Nurse — $3,497.00

Voted: Article 6. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as amended above.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

	Appropriations	Totals
Moderator		
Salary	$150.00	$150.00
Finance Committee		
Secretary—Salary	600.00	600.00
Expenses	150.00	150.00
Town Meeting	200.00	200.00
Selectmen		
Chairman	750.00	
Associates (2)	1,200.00	
Clerk	2,711.45	
Secretary	1,000.00	
Extra Clerical	100.00	5,761.45
Office Expenses	1,400.00	
Travel Outside Town	150.00	
Miscellaneous	675.00	2,225.00
Town Accountant		
Accountant	4,613.57	
Clerk	2,711.45	
Clerk (half time)	1,355.73	
Extra Clerical	100.00	8,780.75
Office Expenses	546.00	
Travel Outside Town	50.00	
Miscellaneous	110.00	
Machines—State Auditing	90.00	796.00
Treasurer		
Treasurer	1,980.00	
Clerks (2 part time)	3,800.00	
Extra Clerical	100.00	5,880.00
Office Expenses	2,475.00	2,475.00
Certification of Notes and Bonds	25.00	25.00
Collector of Taxes		
Tax Collector	2,292.45	
Clerk	2,711.45	5,003.90
Office Expenses	1,925.00	
Insurance and Protection	830.00	
Miscellaneous	463.00	3,218.00
Town Counsel		
Salary	2,200.00	2,200.00
Contingency—Court Appearances	750.00	750.00
Expenses	750.00	750.00

Town Clerk		
Town Clerk	1,302.45	
Clerk	2,711.45	
Extra Clerical	100.00	
Vital Statistics	800.00	
Oaths	75.00	4,988.90
Office Expenses	450.00	
Travel Outside State	400.00	
Miscellaneous	315.00	1,165.00
Board of Assessors		
Chairman	1,650.00	
Associates (2)	1,100.00	
Canvassers (6)	300.00	
Secretary	50.00	
Clerks	5,422.90	8,522.90
Office Expenses	2,700.00	
Travel and Convention Expenses	300.00	3,000.00
Elections and Registrations		
Registrars (4)	700.00	
Elections Officers	1,000.00	
Canvassers (5)	450.00	
Clerk	2,711.45	4,861.45
Office Expenses	2,150.00	2,150.00
Engineering		
Town Engineer	5,740.00	
Assistant Town Engineer	4,940.00	
Transitman	3,940.00	
Rodman and Inspector	3,540.00	
Extra Labor and Clerical	6,200.00	24,360.00
Office Expenses	1,205.00	
Travel Expenses	410.00	
Miscellaneous	70.00	1,685.00
Administration Building		
Custodian	3,953.55	
Assistant Custodian	3,521.11	
Assistant Custodian	3,521.11	10,995.77
P. O. Box Rental	6.00	
Adm. Building Expenses	3,044.00	
Town Hall Expenses	1,660.00	4,710.00
Planning Board		
Clerk's Salary	50.00	50.00
Expenses	750.00	750.00
Board of Appeals		
Clerk's Salary	200.00	200.00
Expenses	400.00	400.00
Contributory Retirement		
Secretary	260.00	
Clerk (half time)	1,355.72	1,615.72
Expenses	840.00	
Pension Accumulation Fund	30,816.00	
Military Service Credit	190.27	31,846.27

PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY

	Appropriations	Totals
Police		
Chief	$5,018.90	
Clerk	2,711.45	
Extra Clerical	100.00	
Captains (3)	14,010.60	
Patrolmen (20)	77,828.00	
Reserves (Specials and Holidays)	15,161.81	$114,830.76

Office Expenses	2,325.00	
Travel Expenses	100.00	
Building Expenses	1,115.00	
Municipal Protection	2,850.00	
Supplies	1,725.00	
Miscellaneous	150.00	
Mobile Radio System	850.00	
State Training School	200.00	
Uniforms	900.00	
Out-of-State Travel	300.00	10,515.00
Fire		
Chief	5,018.90	
Deputy Chief	4,670.20	
Captains (5)	21,613.00	
Regulars (25)	97,285.00	
Fire Alarm Asst.	321.20	
Office Clerk	321.20	
Mechanic	321.20	
Extra Labor	1,000.00	
Extra Men—Vacation Periods	3,977.12	
Paid Holidays (10)	3,357.70	137,885.52
Expenses	680.00	
Travel Expenses	200.00	
Out-of-State Travel	200.00	
Building Expenses	4,035.00	
Insurance and Protection	1,350.00	
Uniforms	700.00	
Hydrant Rentals	1,000.00	
Supplies	3,300.00	11,735.00
Forest Warden		
Salary	100.00	100.00
Civil Defense		
Director's Salary	1,533.00	1,533.00
Supplies	300.00	
Municipal Protection	2,600.00	2,900.00
Constable		
Salary	100.00	100.00
Weights and Measures		
Salary	550.00	550.00
Office Expenses	195.00	
Travel	120.00	315.00
Building Inspector		
Inspector	2,200.00	
Assistant Inspector	330.00	2,530.00
Office Expenses	225.00	225.00
Wire Inspector		
Inspector	1,000.00	1,000.00
Office Expenses	100.00	
Travel in Town	200.00	300.00
Dog Officer		
Salary	880.00	880.00
Printing and Advertising	50.00	
Truck	125.00	
Supplies	225.00	400.00
Insurance	14,043.77	14,043.77

HEALTH AND SANITATION

	Appropriations	Totals
Health Department		
Board Members	$550.00	
Health Officer	4,320.00	
Health Nurse	3,497.00	
Clerk	2,711.45	
Physicians	75.00	
Animal Inspector	500.00	$11,653.45
Office Expenses	490.00	
Travel Expenses	1,150.00	
Inspections and Tests	6,230.00	
Mosquito and Noxious Weed	600.00	
Refuse and Garbage Contract	39,995.00	48,465.00
Sewer Department		
Department Head	4,994.24	
Clerk	348.80	
One Man	3,787.16	
One Man	3,527.16	
Overtime	1,050.00	
Commissioners (3)	495.00	14,202.36
Office Expenses	375.00	
Building Expenses	4,100.00	
Insurance Expenses	110.00	
Municipal Protection	350.00	
Emergencies	1,325.00	
Miscellaneous	50.00	6,310.00
Cemetery		
Superintendent	4,432.32	
Extra Clerical	150.00	
Labor (4)	14,159.44	
Overtime	700.00	
Extra Labor	800.00	20,241.76
Office Expenses	690.00	
Building Expenses	350.00	
Insurance	10.00	
Equipment Maintenance	1,050.00	
Supplies	2,200.00	
Cement Vaults	750.00	5,050.00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

	Appropriations	Totals
Highway Department		
Surveyor of Highways	$5,018.00	
Clerk (Part time)	240.00	
Laborers (26)	$91,679.12	$96,937.12
Office Expenses	285.00	
Building Expenses	1,540.00	
Insurance Protection	1,500.00	
Equipment Maintenance	8,629.00	
Supplies	15,600.00	
Miscellaneous	125.00	27,679.00
Snow and Ice		
Wages	5,000.00	5,000.00
Expenses	2,500.00	2,500.00
Lighting Streets	42,000.00	*42,000.00

* Includes $1,500.00 for new Humphrey Street Lighting.

CHARITIES

	Appropriations	Totals
Public Welfare		
Agent	$ 572.00	
Clerk	2,711.45	
Board Members (3)	385.00	
Secretary	100.00	
Welfare Assistance	14,000.00	$17,768.45
Old Age Assistance		
Agent	*3,596.44	
Clerk	2,711.45	
Board Members	990.00	
Secretary	100.00	
Social Worker	†3,340.00	10,737.89
* Voted that $3,000.00 be paid from Federal O.A.A. Grant and remainder from Tax Levy.		
† Voted that $2,000.00 be paid from Federal O.A.A. Grant and remainder from Tax Levy.		
Old Age Assistance	85,000.00	85,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	3,000.00	3,000.00
Disability Assistance	8,000.00	8,000.00
Veterans' Services		
Director's Salary	1,320.00	1,320.00
Office Expenses	345.00	
Travel Expenses	190.00	
Assistance	2,350.00	2,885.00
Pensions		
Highway	11,487.78	
Fire	21,689.56	
Police	7,163.00	40,340.34
Workmen's Compensation		
Agent's Salary	50.00	50.00
Expenses	500.00	500.00

SCHOOLS

	Appropriations	Totals
School		
Superintendent	$ 7,700.00	
Secretarial	9,834.00	
Secretarial (Part Time)	500.00	
Teachers and Principals	496.230.00	
Janitors	59,184.00	
Health		$577,504.00
Office Expenses	4,150.00	
Travel Expenses	1,625.00	
Building Expenses	40,800.00	
Insurance and Protection	2,000.00	
Miscellaneous	51,660.00	
Out-of-State Travel	1,250.00	
Cafeteria	200.00	
Tuition	3,000.00	
Transportation	1,200.00	
High School—Additional Facilities	7,050.00	
Fire Alarm System	1,500.00	114,435.00

LIBRARY

	Appropriations	Totals
Library		
Librarian	$4,465.63	
Children's Librarian	3,249.26	
Reference Librarian	3,249.26	

General Library Assistant	2,200.00	
Office Assistant	2,720.00	
Janitor	3,470.00	
Substitute Janitor	100.00	
Assistants Paid by Hour	2,100.00	$21,554.15
Office Expenses	1,022.50	
Travel	30.00	
Building Expenses	3,741.00	
Materials	5,070.00	
Miscellaneous	100.00	9,963.50
Park		
Superintendent	5,018.00	
Regular Labor	39,208.46	
Special Help	3,522.30	
Extra Labor	1,500.00	
Sound Technician	60.00	
Overtime	1,000.00	
Tree Climber	2,656.58	
Secretary (Part Time)	50.00	53,015.34
Office Expenses	450.00	
Travel	625.00	
Building Expenses	5,650.00	
Equipment Maintenance	4,305.00	
Materials	4,400.00	
Moth Control	5,000.00	
Dutch Elm Control	3,000.00	
Recreation	3,000.00	
Shade Trees	2,000.00	28,430.00

UNCLASSIFIED

	Appropriations	Totals
Legion Lease	$1,750.00	$1,750.00
Town Reports	2,100.00	2,100.00
Reserve Fund	20,000.00	20,000.00

Voted: That $20,000.00 be appropriated from the Overlay Reserve.

ENTERPRISES

	Appropriations	Totals
Water Department		
Commissioners (3)	$1,485.00	
Superintendent	5,140.00	
Clerk	3,123.20	
Assistant Clerk	2,711.45	
One Man	3,787.16	
Six Men	21,162.96	
Meters	1,600.00	
Standby Pay	2,461.93	
Extra Labor	1,500.00	$42,971.70
Office Expenses	1,330.00	
Travel	625.00	
Building Expenses	350.00	
Insurance	350.00	
Municipal Protection	800.00	
Expenses	15,050.00	
Miscellaneous	500.00	
Metropolitan Water Tax	33,000.00	
Emergency Water	10,000.00	
Loan and Interest	8,080.00	70,085.00

Voted: That the sum of $88,056.70 be appropriated from Water Department Receipts for the year 1955, and that the sum of $25,000.00 be transferred from the Water Available Surplus Account for Water Expenses and Emergency Water.

MATURING DEBT

Interest		
General Debt	$24,586.25	
Temporary Loans	1,500.00	
Bank Service Charge	59.50	26,145.75
Principal		
General Debt Inside	71,000.00*	
General Debt Outside	33,000.00	104,000.00

* Voted: That the sum of $4,323.75 be taken from unused Bond Balances and the balance appropriated from the tax levy.

CONTROLS

Rent Control		
Clerk's Salary	$338.93	$338.93
Office Expenses	10.00	10.00

Voted: Article 7. To accept the report of the Finance Commitee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended:

Selectmen (3)	
Chairman	$ 750.00
Another Member	600.00
Another Member	600.00
Moderator	150.00
Town Clerk	1,232.45
Collector of Taxes	2,222.45
Water and Sewerage Commissioners (3)	
Chairman	1,100.00
Another Member	440.00
Another Member	440.00
Assessors (3)	
Chairman	1,650.00
Another Member	550.00
Another Member	550.00
Treasurer	1,980.00
Board of Public Welfare (3)	
Chairman	165.00
Another Member	110.00
Another Member	110.00
Board of Health (3)	
Chairman	220.00
Another Member	165.00
Another Member	165.00
Surveyor of Highways	5,018.00
Constable (One of Three)	100.00

All effective from January 1, 1955. The appropriations necessary to provide for the payment of these rates are recommended in the budgets of the various departments under Article 6.

Voted: Article 8. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town authorize the Board of Assessors, the Board of Park Commissioners and the Planning Board each to appoint a member of such Boards to act as Secretary thereof and that the salary of such incumbents be fixed at $50.00 per year as provided by Section 4A, Chapter 41, General Laws. The appropriations necessary to pay these salaries have been provided for in Article 6.

Voted: Article 9. To accept the report of the Finance Committee, as amended, and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the sum of $2,375.52 be appropriated for the purpose of this article.

Prospect Street Sewer $2,375.52

Voted: Article 10. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Fund Account to the Current Revenue Account the sum of $100,000.00 said sum to be used and applied by the Board of Assessors in reduction of the tax levy for the year 1955.

Voted: Article 11. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate $1,200.00 for the purpose of this article.

Voted: Article 12. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate $1,000.00 for the purpose of this article.

Voted: Article 13. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate $200.00 for the purpose of this article.

Voted: Article 14. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town carry on a sidewalk construction program under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 82, Section 25 and 26 and that the sum of $2,500.00 be appropriated therefor.

Voted: Article 15. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 for the purpose of this article.

Voted: Article 16. That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 17. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town purchase one automobile for the Police Department, to be a ranch wagon ambulette, and that the sum of $1,900.00 be appropriated therefor, and that the Selectmen be authorized to sell or trade one patrol car now being used by the Police Department.

Voted: Article 18. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 19. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to replace the present street lights on Humphrey Street from the Lynn line to Commonwealth Avenue with new and improved street lights.

Voted: Article 20. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 21. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town purchase a front-end loader-type of tractor for the use of the Park Department and that the sum of $2,700.00 be appropriated therefor.

Voted: Article 22. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town purchase a truck for the use of the Park Department and that the sum of $2,800.00 be appropriated therefor.

Voted: Article 23. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 for the purpose of this article.

Voted: Article 24. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for the purpose of this article.

Voted: Article 25. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 26. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 27. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed, because of the present library situation.

Voted: Article 28. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 29. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town Transfer to the Park Department for park purposes Lots 17, 18, 19 and 20 on Plate 12 of the Assessors Plans.

Voted: Article 30. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town purchase or take by eminent domain for park purposes a lot of land owned by Albert D. Stone on the Greenway shown as Lot 21, Plate 12 of the Assessors Plans and appropriate the sum of $1.00 therefor.

Voted: Article 31. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town accept as a gift two lots of land for park purposes owned by Ethel Austin located on Superior Street and shown as Lots 32 and 36, Plate 3 of the Assessors Plans.

Voted: To dispense with the reading of Article 32.

Voted: Article 32. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 33. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town replace or rebuild the existing drain running from land of the Temple Israel of Swampscott and Marblehead Inc. and across land of Frederick R. Bogardus and Anne Bogardus and across other land to a drain on Atlantic Avenue and that the Water and Sewer Board be authorized to take any necessary easement or easements therefor by eminent domain or otherwise and that the sum of $2,500.00 be appropriated for the purposes of the Town's share of the work and that the sum of $1.00 be appropriated for the easement. For: 222; Against: 6.

Voted: Article 34. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 35. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 36. That the Town grant an increase in annual salary to the members of the Police Department, effective as of January 1, 1955, equal to ten (10%) per cent and appropriate the necessary money therefor. For: 119; Against: 112.

Voted: To reconsider Article 34.

Voted: Article 34. That each full time permanent employee, excluding Fire, School and Police Departments, be granted a raise of $156.00 and that the necessary money be appropriated. For: 123; Against: 112.

Voted: To reconsider Article 35.

Voted: Article 35. That the Town grant a ten (10%) percent increase to permanent members of the Fire Department commencing January 1, 1955 and appropriate the necessary money therefor.

Voted: Article 37. That the Town approve the purchase of motor vehicle liability and property damage insurance for motor vehicles which are operated by the members of the Police Department and appropriate the sum of $875.00 therefor. For: 117; Against: 60.

Voted: To recess for ten minutes at 10:40 P.M. The meeting was called to order at 10:50 P.M., the necessary quorum being present (214).

Voted: Article 38. That the Town amend Article 9-A of the Town By-Laws by striking out said article as it now appears and substituting the following:

"That hours of duty of the permanent members of the uniformed fire fighting force in the Town of Swampscott other than hours during which such members may be summoned and kept on duty because of fire or conflagration shall not exceed an average of 56 hours per week over a nine week period."

Voted: To adjourn until Monday, April 4, 1955 at 7:45 P.M. at the Senior High School Hall.

RECOUNT OF VOTES

In accordance with petitions filed with the Town Clerk for a Recount of votes cast for Selectmen at the Town Election held March 21, 1955, said recount was held on Saturday Morning, April 2, 1955 at 9:00 A.M. by the Board of Registrars assisted by the following tellers:

John Cameron
Frank Melvin
Richard Chambers
Clementine L. Emery
Lucie McDonald
Esther F. Philbin
Harry Cahoon
Ida G. Ingalls
Lucille V. Duggan
Caroline G. Carls
Bessie F. Maguire
William S. Weber
Lois Munsey

SELECTMEN

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Champion	265	218	220	194	206	192	1295
Hempel	360	390	350	296	312	301	2009
V. P. O'Brien	228	242	242	240	224	239	1415
Lindsey	379	395	388	333	334	326	2155
L. H. O'Brien	323	261	254	197	202	106	1343
Blanks	278	255	253	216	267	276	1545

	Original Vote	Recount Vote
Champion	1294	1295
Hempel	2010	2009
V. P. O'Brien	1408	1415
Lindsey	2145	2155
L. H. O'Brien	1350	1343
Blanks	1555	1545

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, April 4, 1955

In accordance with the adjournment of Tuesday, March 29, 1955, the Town Meeting Members were called to order at 7:55 P.M., the necessary quorum being present (213).

Town Meeting Members were sworn in by the Town Clerk, Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr.

Voted: Article 39. That the Highway Department be instructed to clean the Civil War Monument and the World War I Boulder.

Voted: Article 40. That this article be laid on the table.

Voted: Article 41. That this article be laid on the table. For: 134; Against: 72.

Voted: Article 41. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 43. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town extend the sewers in any or all of the following streets: Banks Terrace, Pleasant Street, and Essex Street and install a relief sewer system at the junction of Grant and Farragut Roads and that the sum of $48,700.00 be appropriated therefor under Article 86 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1955.

Voted: Article 44. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town lay a drain in Erie Street and that the sum of $750.00 be appropriated therefor under Article 86 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1955.

Voted: Article 45. That the Town repair chimney at Sewer Pumping Station and appropriate $1,600.00 therefor.

Voted: Article 46. To accept the report of the Finance Committee, as amended, and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town authorize the Water & Sewerage Board to lay water mains not less than six inches in diameter in any or all of the following streets: Elwin Road, Sampson Avenue, Fisher Avenue and Nichols Street under the provisions of Section 25, Chapter 82 of the General Laws, and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to purchase or take by eminent domain the easements necessary therefor, on condition that the abutters sign the necessary waivers, and that the sum of $24,700.00 be appropriated therefor to be raised as follows:

That $10,000.00 be appropriated from the tax levy and $14,700.00 from the unexpended balance of the appropriation under Article 22 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1953. For: 129; Against: 79.

Voted: Article 47. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 48. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 49. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to settle the personal injury of Joseph P. Hines and that the sum of $2,800.00 be appropriated therefor.

Voted: To reconsider Article 6. For 144; Against: 45.

Voted: Article 6. School Department

Item 204: Secretarial	$9,834.00
Item 207: Janitors	59,184.00
Item 208: Health	4,056.00

Voted: Article 50. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 51. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town lay out a new portion of the cemetery and that the sum of $5,000.00 be appropriated from the Cemetery Lots Fund.

Voted: Article 52. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 53. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 54. That the Town amend Chapter 2B of the By-Laws by inserting therein the following Section 6A:

"Upon the request of ten or more town meeting members, a roll call vote shall be taken on any motion properly before the Town Meeting."

Voted: Article 55. That the Town declare that a substantial shortage of rental housing accommodations exisits in the Town of Swampscott and that the control of rents therein is necessary in the public interest, and that the Town of Swampscott accept the provisions of Chapter 225 of the Acts of 1955 entitled "An Act Relative to Rent Control," and that the sum of $1,100.00 be appropriated therefor.

Voted: Article 56. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town resurface Banks Circle and Banks Court and that the sum of $2,400.00 be appropriated therefor.

Voted: Article 57. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town resurface Porter Court and that the sum of $1,350.00 be appropriated therefor.

Voted: Article 58. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town resurface Shepard Road and that the sum of $3,800.00 be appropriated therefor.

Voted: Article 59. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 60. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 61. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 62. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

The the Town resurface, install necessary catch basins and curbstones on the accepted portion of Harrison Avenue and that the sum of $1,800.00 be appropriated therefor.

Voted: Article 63. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town rescind its acceptance of portions of Eureka Avenue which were accepted by the Town in 1902 and 1905 and that Eureka Avenue from Jessie Street to Archer Street be accepted as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and that the sum of $800.00 be appropriated therefor. Planning Board concurs.

Voted: Article 64. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town accept Young Avenue as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with the plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and that the sum of $750.00 be appropriated therefor. Planning Board concurs.

Voted: That Articles 65, 66 and 67 be considered together.

Voted: To dispense with the reading of these articles.

Voted: Articles 65, 66 and 67. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows :

That action on these articles be indefinitely postponed. Planning Board concurs.

Voted: Article 68. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town accept Worcester Avenue from the accepted portion to Hampshire Street as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with the plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on conditions that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and that the sum of $2,300.00 be appropriated therefor. Planning Board concurs.

Voted: Article 69. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town accept Smith Lane as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and that the proper easements be obtained and that the sum of $950.00 be appropriated therefor. Planning Board concurs.

Voted: Article 70. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed. Planning Board concurs.

Voted: Article 71. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town accept Swampscott Avenue from Paradise Road to Walker Road as a public way as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with plans drawn by Howard L. Hamill, Town Engineer on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers and appropriate the sum of $3,250.00 therefor. Planning Board concurs.

Voted: Article 72. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 73. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town rescind so much of the vote under Article 36 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1954 that calls for the borrowing of a sum not to exceed seventy thousand ($70,000.00) dollars and the issue of notes or bonds therefor. Unanimous.

Voted: Article 74. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town construct and originally equip and furnish an addition to the Public Library on land adjacent to the present library according to plans and specifications prepared by Arland A. Dirlam; that the said construction be carried on by the committee appointed by the Moderator under Article 36 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1954; that the said committee shall have the power to enter into contracts for the construction of said addition to the Public Library and to do all things necessary to construct, equip and furnish said addition to the Public Library and that the sum of one hundred and five thousand ($105,000.00) dollars be appropriated therefor to be raised as follows:

That ten thousand ($10,000.00) dollars be raised and appropriated from the tax levy of the current year and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow a sum not to exceed the remainder, viz., ninety-five thousand ($95,000.00) dollars and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty (20) years from the date of the issuance of the first bond or note or such earlier date as the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, shall determine. Unanimous.

Voted: Article 75. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 76. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 77. That the Town adopt a new building by-law as printed in a pamphlet entitled, "Town of Swampscott, Massachusetts, Building By-Law, Prepared for Submission to the 1955 Town Meeting for Approval, dated March, 1955, as amended", containing eighteen pages copies of which have been mailed to all Town Meeting Members and have been posted in each precinct of the Town, and that, upon approval of the said Building By-Laws by the Attorney General and posting a copy thereof in one or more public places in each precinct of the Town as provided by General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 32, all by-laws inconsistent therewith are hereby repealed. Unanimous.

Voted: Article 78. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town adopt the following By-Law: The Board of Appeals, appointed under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40A, Section 14, shall also act as the Board of Appeals under the Subdivision Control Law as provided by General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 81Z.

Voted: Article 79. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town adopt the following amendments to the Wire Inspection By-Laws by adding thereto the following section:

Section. 7. Whoever violates any provisions of this By-Law shall be liable to a fine of not more than twenty dollars for each violation.

Voted: Article 80. To accept the report of the Planning Board and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 81. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or otherwise dispose of real estate now or hereafter owned by the Town and acquired through foreclosure or purchased under General Laws (ter. ed), Chapter 60, as amended, for non-payment of taxes.

Voted: Article 82. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town transfer to the Excess and Deficiency Account, the following unexpended balances as shown on the Town Accountant's books as of December 31, 1954:

1.	Town Hall Repairs	$1,757.95
2.	Duke Street	1,186.54
3.	Shelton Road	1,067.69
4.	Charlotte Road	1,144.62
5.	Highway Truck	8.60
		$5,165.40

Voted: Article 83. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 84. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate the sum of $100.00 for the purpose of this article.

Voted: Article 85. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed. Planning Board concurs.

Voted: Article 86. To accept the report of the Finance Committee as amended, and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town carry out the construction of sewers and drains under Articles 33, 43 and 44 and that the sum of $51,950.00 be appropriated therefor and to be raised as follows:

That $11,950.00 be raised and appropriated from the tax levy for the current year and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow a sum not to exceed the remainder, viz., $40,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions

of Chapter 44 of the General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty (20) years from the date of issuance of the first bond or note or such earlier date as the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, may determine. Unanimous.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, June 27, 1955

Article 1. To hear and act on the report of the Swampscott High School Building Committee appointed under Article 7 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of June 22, 1954.

Sponsored by the Swampscott High School Building Committee.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by right of eminent domain for public school purposes the land hereinafter described and raise and appropriate the necessary money therefor from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, or take any action relative thereto.

Said land to be taken for the said purpose is bounded and described as follows:

A certain parcel of land located on the Southwesterly side of Salem Street in Swampscott, Massachusetts and being shown on "Plan of Land in Swampscott, Mass." dated April 15, 1955 drawn by Whitman & Howard, Civil Engineers, and bounded and described as follows:

NORTHEASTERLY, by Salem Street, 980 feet;

SOUTHERLY, 395 feet and SOUTHWESTERLY, 645.88 feet by land of Davenport;

SOUTHWESTERLY again, 159.23 feet and NORTHWESTERLY, 393.48 feet and 391.48 feet by land of the Tedesco Country Club.

Containing 11.64 acres according to said plan.

Sponsored by the School Committee and the Swampscott High School Building Committee.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to construct and originally equip a new high school on the land described in Article 2 and raise and appropriate the necessary money therefor from available funds by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the School Committee and the Swampscott High School Building Committee.

Article 4. To hear and act on the Report of the Hadley School Building Committee.

Sponsored by the Hadley School Building Committee.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to remodel, reconstruct and make extraordinary repairs to the Hadley School and appropriate the necessary money therefor from available funds by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the School Committee and the Hadley School Building Committee.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain for school purposes the land hereinafter described and appropriate the necessary money therefor from available funds by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto.

The said land to be taken for such purpose is described as follows:

Plate 2, Lots 23, 23A, 24 and 25 of the Assessors Plans of the Town of Swampscott containing 33,285 square feet of land more or less.

Sponsored by the Hadley School Building Committee.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain for school purposes the land hereinafter described and appropriate the necessary money therefor from available funds by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto.

Said land to be taken is described as follows:

Lots 1, 2, 3, 23, 23A, 24, 25 and 29 on Plate 2 of the Assessors Plans of the Town of Swampscott containing 124,990 square feet of land more or less.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen as a result of the report of the Hadley School Building Committee.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to construct and originally equip a new junior high school on the land described in Article 7 and raise and appropriate the necessary money therefor from available funds by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen as a result of the report of the Hadley School Building Committee.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to settle the claim for land damages arising out of the taking of a lot of land on The Greenway owned by Albert D. Stone for park purposes and appropriate the sum of $450.00 therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of uniforms and the payment of wages for special policewomen to be employed for traffic duty at the various schools of the Town or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Chief of Police.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the money to make necessary repairs to the Central Fire Station or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Chief of the Fire Department.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to study the question of a site for and the construction and equipping of a new central fire station to replace the Central Fire Station on New Ocean Street and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Chief of the Fire Department.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to make necessary repairs to the house and garage on Capen Road now used for cemetery purposes and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Superintendent of the Cemetery.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter VII, Section 6 of the By-Laws providing for an engineering department by striking out said Chapter VII, Section 6 and substituting therefor the following:

"Chapter VII, Section 6. The Board of Public Works shall annually appoint an engineer and such assistants as it may deem necessary and fix their compensation. The Town Engineer shall have charge of all engineering pertaining to the town and no person employed in said Department shall engage in engineering work on his private account without permission in writing from the Board of Public Works. The Town Engineer shall have charge of and shall preserve, arrange and index all plans, surveys, field notes, records, documents and all other information relating to the engineering work of the town so that the same may be readily accessible for public use. No water pipes shall be laid in any public way or in any way the plan of which has been approved by the Board of Survey and the Planning Board except in accordance with plans on file in the office of the Town Engineer.

"He shall keep an accurate set of books showing in detail the expense of his department and of all work done by it. He shall each year submit in time for publication in the annual report a statement showing the work of his department for the year and the expenditure of money in connection therewith."

This By-Law shall take effect upon the election of a Board of Public Works in 1956.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $480.00 from available federal funds for salaries of the Agent and Social Worker of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance retroactive to January 1, 1955 or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Public Welfare.

Article 16. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise under any general or special law which authorizes the Town to raise money by borrowing or otherwise such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for any or all of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, June 27, 1955

In accordance with the warrant and a quorum being present (176), the Town Meeting Members were called to order by the Town Clerk, Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr., Moderator Kenneth W. Ulman being absent, the Meeting elected Vincent P. O'Brien as Moderator pro tempore.

Town Meeting Members were sworn in by the Town Clerk, Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr.

The warrant with the return thereon, was read by Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr., Town Clerk.

Voted: Article 1. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town accept the report of the Swampscott High School Building Committee. Dated May 1955.

Voted: Article 2. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by right of eminent domain for public school purposes the land hereinafter described and that the sum of $60,000.00 be appropriated therefor to be raised as follows:

That $10,000.00 be appropriated from the unexpended balance of the appropriation under Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting of June 22, 1954 and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow a sum not to exceed the remainder, viz.; $50,000.00 and to issue notes or bonds of the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issuance of the first bond or note or such earlier date as the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, may determine.

The land to be taken for the above purposes is bounded and described as follows:

A certain parcel of land located on the Southwesterly side of Salem Street in Swampscott, Massachusetts and being shown on "Plan of Land in Swampscott, Mass." dated April 15, 1955 drawn by Whitman & Howard Civil Engineers, and bounded and described as follows: Northeasterly, by Salem Street, 980 feet; Southerly, 395 feet and Southwesterly, 645.88 feet by land of Davenport; Southwesterly again, 159.23 feet and Northwesterly, 393.48 feet and 391.48 feet by land of the Tedesco Country Club. Containing 11.64 acres according to said plan. For: 173; Against: 53; Present 4.

Voted: Article 3. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town construct and originally equip and furnish a new high school on the land described in Article 2 and that the sum of $1,665,000.00 be appropriated therefor to be raised as follows:

That the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of $1,665,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issuance of the first bond or note or such earlier date as the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, may determine.

The said school building shall be constructed by a committee appointed by the Moderator. The said committee, to be known as the High School Building Committee, shall have the power to engage an architect, enter into contracts and do all things necessary to construct, equip and furnish the said new high school. For: 198; Against: 30; Present: 3.

Voted: Article 4. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town accept the report of the Hadley School Building Committee. Dated 1954-55.

Voted: Article 5. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town remodel, reconstruct and make extraordinary repairs to the Hadley School and that the sum of $169,024.00 be appropriated therefor to be raised as follows:

That $31,024.00 be appropriated from the tax levy of the current year and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow a sum not to exceed the remainder, viz.; $138,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 275 of the Acts of 1948 so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than ten years from the date of issuance of the first bond or note or such earlier date as the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, may determine.

The said remodeling, reconstruction and repairing shall be done by a committee appointed by the Moderator. The said committee, to be known as the Hadley School Building Committee, shall have the power to engage an architect, enter into contracts and to do all things necessary to remodel, reconstruct and make extraordinary repairs to the said Hadley School. For: 195; Against: 1.

Voted: Article 6. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: To consider Articles 7 and 8 together.

Voted: Articles 7 and 8. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 9. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate $450.00 for the purposes of this article.

Voted: Article 10. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 for the purchase of uniforms and the payment of wages for twelve (12) special policewomen to be employed for traffic duty at the various schools of the town.

Voted: Article 11. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 12. To accept the report of the Finance Committee as amended, and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town authorize the moderator to appoint a Central Fire Station Committee of five (5) members and that said committee be authorized to examine the feasibility or advisability of repairing or renovating the present fire station or

to select a site, engage an architect to prepare preliminary plans, specifications and engineering data and the approximate cost for the construction and original equipping of a new central fire station and that the sum of $2,500.00 be appropriated therefor from the tax levy and that said committee file its report with the Town Clerk no later than February 1, 1956.

Voted: Article 13. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to take the necessary steps to alter and repair the house and garage on Capen Road for cemetery and other office space, equipment storage space, workshop purposes, public lavatories, and garaging of vehicles and appropriate the sum of $3,700.00 therefor from the tax levy.

Voted: To dispense with the reading of Article 14.

Voted: Article 14. To accept the report of the Finance Committee as amended, and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town amend Chapter VII, Section 6 of the By-Laws providing for an engineering department by striking out said Chapter 7, Section 6 and substituting therefor the following:

"Chapter VII, Section 6. The Board of Public Works shall appoint an engineer for a term of 3 years and such assistants as it may deem necessary and fix their compensation. The Town Engineer shall have charge of all engineering pertaining to the town and no person employed in said Department shall engage in engineering work on his private account without permission in writing from the Board of Public Works. The Town Engineer shall have charge of and shall preserve, arrange and index all plans, surveys, field notes, records, documents and all other information relating to the engineering work of the town so that the same may be readily accessible for public use. No water pipes shall be laid in any public or in any way the plan of which has been approved by the Board of Survey and the Planning Board except in accordance with plans on file in the office of the Town Engineer."

"He shall keep an accurate set of books showing in detail the expenses of his department and of all work done by it. He shall each year submit in time for publication in the annual report a statement showing the work of his department for the year and the expenditure of money in connection therewith."

This By-Law shall take effect upon the election of a Board of Public Works in 1956. Unanimous.

Voted: Article 15. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 16. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL ELECTION
Tuesday, June 28, 1955

1. Shall the Town vote to approve the action of the Representative Town Meeting whereby it was voted under Article 34 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1955 held March 29, 1955 that all full-time permanent employees, excluding the Fire, School and Police Departments, be granted a raise of $156.00 and that the necessary money be appropriated? Yes ( ) No ( )

2. Shall the Town vote to approve the action of the Representative Town Meeting whereby it was voted under Article 35 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1955 held March 29, 1955 that the Town grant a ten (10%) percent increase to permanent members of the Fire Department commencing January 1, 1955 and appropriate the necessary money therefor? Yes ( ) No ( )

3. Shall the Town vote to approve the Action of the Representative Town Meeting whereby it was voted under Article 36 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1955 held March 29, 1955 that the Town grant an increase in annual salary to the members of the Police Department, effective as of January 1, 1955, equal to ten (10%) percent and appropriate the necessary money therefor? Yes ( ) No ( )

The following number of votes were cast:

Precinct 1	473
Precinct 2	540
Precinct 3	426
Precinct 4	424
Precinct 5	485
Precinct 6	474
Total Vote Cast	2822

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Question No. 1 (Employees)							
Yes	302	255	227	161	180	117	1242
No (E)	166	276	182	257	304	346	1531
Blanks	5	9	17	6	1	11	49
Question No. 2 (Fire)							
Yes	285	226	225	154	169	126	1185
No (E)	183	299	190	260	310	343	1585
Blanks	5	15	11	10	6	5	52
Question No. 3 (Police)							
Yes	289	248	235	162	177	135	1246
No (E)	182	282	184	255	303	336	1542
Blanks	2	10	7	7	5	3	34

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL ELECTION
Monday, July 25, 1955

On Monday, July 25, 1955 at two o'clock in the afternoon then and there to vote on the following questions, viz.:

1. Shall the Town vote to approve the action of the Representative Town Meeting whereby it was voted under Article 2 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held June 27, 1955 that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by right of eminent domain for public school purposes the land hereinafter described and that the sum of $60,000.00 be appropriated therefor to be raised as follows:

That $10,000.00 be appropriated from the unexpended balance of the appropriation under Article I of the Special Town Meeting of June 22, 1954 and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow a sum not to exceed the remainder, viz., $50,000.00 and to issue notes or bonds of the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issuance of the first bond or note or such earlier date as the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, may determine.

The land to be taken for the above purposes is bounded and described as follows:

A certain parcel of land located on the Southwesterly side of Salem Street in Swampscott, Massachusetts and being shown on "Plan of Land in Swampscott, Mass." dated April 15, 1955 drawn by Whitman & Howard, Civil Engineers, and bounded and described as follows: Northeasterly, by Salem Street, 980 feet; Southerly, 395 feet and Southwesterly, 645.88 feet by land of Davenport; Southwesterly again, 159.23 feet and Northwesterly, 393.48 feet and 391.48 feet by land of the Tedesco Country Club. Containing 11.64 acres according to said plan. For: 173; Against: 53; Present: 4.?

Yes ( )
No ( )

2. Shall the Town vote to approve the action of the Representative Town Meeting whereby it was voted under Article 3 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held June 27, 1955 that the Town construct and originally equip and furnish a new high school on the land described in Article 2 and that the sum of $1,665,000.00 be appropriated therefor to be raised as follows:

That the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of $1,665,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes to the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issuance of the first bond or note or such earlier date as the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, may determine.

The said school building shall be constructed by a committee appointed by the Moderator. The said committee, to be known as the High School Building Committee, shall have the power to engage an architect, enter into contracts and to do all things necessary to construct, equip, and furnish the said new high school. For: 198; Against: 30; Present: 3.?

Yes ( )
No ( )

3. Shall the Town vote to approve the action of the Representative Town Meeting whereby it was voted under Article 7 of the Warrant for the Special Town

Meeting held June 27, 1955 to accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows: that action on this article be indefinitely postponed; Article 7 called for the purchase or taking by eminent domain for school purposes and appropriating the necessary money therefor of Lots 1, 2, 3, 23, 23A, 24, 25, 26 and 29 on Plate 2 of the Assessors' Plans of the Town of Swampscott containing 124,990 square feet of land more or less? Yes ( ) No ( )

4. Shall the Town vote to approve the action of the Representative Town Meeting whereby it was voted under Article 8 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held June 27, 1955 to accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows: that action on this article be indefinitely postponed: Article 8 called for the constructing and originally equipping of a new junior high school on land described in Article 7 and appropriating the necessary money therefor from available funds by borrowing or otherwise? Yes ( ) No ( )

The following number of votes were cast:

Precinct 1	620
Precinct 2	764
Precinct 3	707
Precinct 4	656
Precinct 5	742
Precinct 6	843
Total Vote Cast	4332

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Question No. 1							
Yes	223	352	311	367	462	614	2329
No	394	409	390	285	278	226	1982
Blanks	3	3	6	4	2	3	21
Question No. 2							
Yes	232	359	320	375	475	618	2379
No	380	393	379	268	257	216	1893
Blanks	8	12	8	13	10	9	60
Question No. 3							
Yes	278	427	352	401	503	633	2594
No	327	317	334	236	225	188	1627
Blanks	15	20	21	19	14	22	111
Question No. 4							
Yes	291	424	356	402	511	629	2613
No	317	323	330	238	224	180	1612
Blanks	12	17	21	16	7	34	107

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, December 12, 1955

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain for school purposes the land located on Forest Avenue and shown as Assessors' Plans, Plate 18, Lot 4A, containing 95,400 square feet of land more or less, Plate 18, Lot 4C, containing 276,200 square feet of land more or less, Plate 18, Lot D, containing 87,431 square feet of land more or less and Plate 18, Lot 22 containing 14,823 square feet of land more or less, and on said land construct, originally equip and furnish a new senior high school of the unit or departmentalized type, substantially in accordance with a plan of construction proposed by Warren H.

Ashley, Architect, and appropriate the necessary money therefor, by transferring from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the School Committee, the Committee for Adequate School Needs and the Citizens Committee for Public Schools.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain for school purposes the land located on Redington Street and appropriate the necessary money therefor by borrowing or otherwise or take any action relative thereto. The land to be taken for school purposes is bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHEASTERLY, by Redington Street, 220 feet more or less;

NORTHEASTERLY, by Stone Court, 158 feet more or less;

NORTHWESTERLY, by Lots 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Plate 2 of the Assessors' Plans, 220 feet more or less; and

SOUTHWESTERLY, by land of the Town of Swampscott, 158 feet more or less.

Being shown as Lots 23, 23A, 24 and 25 on Plate 2 of the Assessors' Plans of the Town of Swampscott and containing, according to said Plans, 33,285 square feet of land more or less.

Sponsored by the School Committee.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to ratify and confirm the action of the Board of Selectmen in petitioning the legislature for appropriate legislation to place the labor force of the Park and Cemetery Departments of the Town of Swampscott under the classified civil service and to place the office of the Surveyor of Highways, the Superintendent of Parks, the Superintendent of the Cemetery, the Town Engineer and the Assistant Town Engineer under the classified civil service and to provide for the continuance in office of the present Surveyor of Highways, the Superintendent of Parks, the Superintendent of the Cemetery, the Town Engineer and the Assistant Town Engineer, and further, to transfer said labor force and said officials to the Public Works Department or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 4. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of raising the pay of all full-time employees $5.00 per week with the exception of the School Department.

Petitioned for by Joseph Cardillo et als.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to grant an increase in annual salary to the members of the Police Department effective as of January 1, 1955, equal to 10 per cent of their present annual salary and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Petitioned for by William L. Quealy et als.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to grant a 10 per cent increase in salaries for the permanent members of the Fire Department retroactive to January 1, 1955 and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Petitioned for by James J. Frary et als.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to approve the purchase of motor vehicle liability and property damage insurance for motor vehicles which are operated by members of the Fire Department and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Petitioned for by Paul T. Dunn et als.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with the money appropriated under Article 33 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1954 and Article 51 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1955 for the purpose of completing the work in laying out the new portion of the Cemetery or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Superintendent of the Cemetery.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to enclose Hawthorne Brook, so-called, with a concrete culvert on condition that all abutters sign the necessary waivers, and appropriate the necessary money therefor from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, or take any action relative thereto.

Petitioned for by Benjamin A. Gold et als.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to install a sewer in Oakledge Road a distance of approximately eighty feet and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Water and Sewerage Board and the Board of Health.

Article 11. To see if the Town will assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapters 516 and 524, Acts of 1950, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Department of Public Works of Massachusetts for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, harbors, tidewaters, foreshores and shores along a public beach known as Preston Beach in Swampscott outside of Boston Harbor in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefor to the Commonwealth.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to establish the number of reserve police at seven or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to declare that a certain easement taken by the Town for drain purposes over the land of Robert F. Kimball and Sarah P. Kimball is no longer required for public purposes and authorize the Board of Selectmen to abandon the said easement and convey back to the said Robert F. Kimball and Sarah P. Kimball the easement taken by eminent domain for purposes of a drain dated September 1, 1955 and recorded with Essex South District Registry of Deeds, Book 4201, Page 36.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Water and Sewerage Board.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer such sum or sums within departmental accounts so that the said accounts may be balanced without further transfer from the reserve.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Surveyor of Highways to purchase a new five-ton truck and to sell or trade a 1936 five-ton truck and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Surveyor of Highways.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Surveyor of Highways to purchase a road grader and to sell or trade a Meade-Morrison tractor and basin cleaner and appropriate the necessary money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Surveyor of Highways.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, December 12, 1955

In accordance with the warrant the Town Meeting Members were called to order by the Moderator, Kenneth W. Ulman at 8:03 P.M., the necessary quorum being present (160.)

The warrant with the return thereon was read by Malcolm F. MacLean, Jr., Town Clerk.

Voted: Article 1. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain for public school purposes the land hereinafter described and on said land construct, originally equip and furnish a new senior high school of the unit or departmentalized type substantially in accordance with a plan of construction proposed by Warren H. Ashley, Architect and that the sum of $1,270,625.00 be raised and appropriated for acquiring said land and construction and equipping said new senior high school as follows:

That $10,504.91 be appropriated from the unexpended balance of the appropriation under Article 1 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of June 22, 1954 and that $120.09 be appropriated from the Excess & Deficiency Fund and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow a sum not to exceed the remainder, viz., $1,260,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issuance of the first bond or note or such earlier date as the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, may determine.

The said school building shall be constructed by a committee to be appointed by the Moderator, the said committee to be known as the High School Building Committee, which committee shall have the power to engage an architect, enter into contracts and do all things necessary to construct, originally equip and furnish said new high school.

The land to be taken for the above purposes is described as follows:

The land located on Forest Avenue and shown as Assessors' Plans, Plate 18, Lot 4A, containing 95,400 square feet of land more or less, Plate 18, Lot 4C containing 276,200 square feet of land more or less, Plate 18, Lot D, containing 87,431 square feet of land more or less and Plate 18, Lot 22, containing 14,823 square feet of land more or less. For: 175; Against: 5.

Voted: Article 2. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action on this article be postponed until such time as estimates are available.

Voted: Article 3. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

Favorable action on this article.

Voted: Article 4. To accept the report of the Finance Committee, as amended, and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town instruct the department heads (other than the School Department), to include in their budget to be submitted to the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1956, sums sufficient to increase the wages of each full time employee by 7 per cent.

Voted: To consider Articles 5 and 6 together.

Voted: Articles 5 and 6. To acept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That action under these articles be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: Article 7. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to appoint a committee to investigate the subject of such liability insurance, to determine the proper type of form of policy, and the proper extent of coverage, for all Town-owned motor vehicles, and the cost, and to report to the next Annual Town Meeting.

Voted: Article 8. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 from Surplus Revenue for the purposes of this Article.

Voted: Article 9. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town refer the matter to the Planning Board for the purpose of ascertaining the cost of a study of all the brooks and drains in the Town and such other facts as the Planning Board may deem necessary for the establishment of an informed Town policy with respect thereto, and whether betterments can be assessed, and to instruct the Board to report to the next Annual Town Meeting.

Voted: Article 10. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 from Surplus Revenue for the purposes of this Article.

Voted: Article 11. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, as amended, for all damages that may be incurred

by work to be performed by the Department of Public Works of Massachusetts for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, harbors, tidewaters, foreshores and shores along a beach known as Preston Beach in Swampscott, outside of Boston Harbor, in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, as amended, and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefor to the Commonwealth, on condition that the abutters sign waivers satisfactory to the Town Counsel.

Voted: Article 12. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town establish the number of reserve police at seven.

Voted: Article 13. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town authorize the Selectmen to declare the easement taken by the Town for drain purposes over the land of Robert F. Kimball and Sarah P. Kimball is no longer required for public purposes and authorize the Selectmen to abandon the said easement and convey back to Robert F. Kimball and Sarah P. Kimball the easement, taken by eminent domain for purposes of a drain, dated September 1, 1955 and recorded with Essex South District Deeds, Book 4201, Page 36. Unanimous.

Voted: Article 14. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town transfer the sum of $168.60 from the Cemetery Supplies Account (Item No. 169 of the 1955 Budget) to Cemetery Equipment and Maintenance (Item No. 168 of the 1955 Budget), and to transfer the sum of $190.73 from Water Expenses (Item No. 267 of the 1955 Budget) to Water Travel Outside State (Item No. 263A of the 1955 Budget).

Voted: Article 15. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town postpone action on this article.

Voted: Article 16. To accept the report of the Finance Committee and adopt their recommendations as follows:

That the Town postpone action on this article.

Board of Assessors

ERNEST MANCHIN, *Chairman* ANTHONY F. PIERRE, *Secretary*
THOMAS F. COLLINS

The Board of Assessors submit all figures used to determine the Tax Rate for 1955 at $51.00 per thousand:

VALUATIONS

Real Estate	$29,535,200.00	
Personal	1,548,600.00	
Total		$31,083,800.00

APPROPRIATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS

State	$ 52,957.64	
County	110,629.11	
Town	2,229,907.78	
Total		$ 2,393,494.53

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Taxation on Property and Polls	$ 1,593,547.80	
Taxation on Motor Vehicles	180,000.00	
Receipts from State	189,984.14	
Receipts from County	624.90	
Receipts from Metropolitan Parks	328.64	
Receipts from Town	218,985.30	
Available Funds	210,023.75	
Total		$ 2,393,494.53

TABLE OF AGGREGATES

No. of Persons, Partnerships and Corporations		3510
No. of Polls		4137
No. of Acres		1924
No. of Dwellings		3330
Value of Land	$ 7,222,350.00	
Value of Buildings	22,312,850.00	
Total		$ 2,393,494.53

Motor Vehicle and Trailers Assessed (Not figured in the Tax Rate)

No. of Cars Assessed		6348
Valuation	$ 4,579,870.00	
Excise Tax Assessed	207,983.89	

Board of Appeals

C. GLOVER BOWES, *Chairman*
JOHN S. MCKENNEY, A. BRUCE DURKEE, *Associate Members*
EUSTIS B. GRIMES T. PAUL CORCORAN

During the past year there were twenty cases heard before the Board of Appeals.

Collector of Taxes

MALCOLM F. MCLEAN, JR., *Collector of Taxes*

In account with the Town of Swampscott—1955

DR.

Real Estate Taxes	$1,506,427.92
Sewer Assessments	2,255.53
Sidewalk Assessments	550.76
Water Liens	3,673.15
Committed Interest	490.45
Personal Property Taxes	78,978.60
Poll Taxes	8,300.00
Excise Taxes	204,947.84
Unapportioned Sidewalk Assessments	1,119.70
Unapportioned Sewer Assessments	20,712.74
Water Rates	96,219.63
Water Services	14,468.37
Departmental Accounts Receivable	7,047.25
	$1,945,191.94

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Cash Paid on Real Estate Taxes	$1,427,612.13
Cash Paid on Sewer Assessments	2,255.53
Cash Paid on Sidewalk Assessments	461.11
Cash Paid on Water Liens	3,364.00
Cash Paid on Committed Interest	486.87
Cash Paid on Personal Property Taxes	78,002.67
Cash Paid on Poll Taxes	7,096.00
Cash Paid on Excise Taxes	186,180.36
Cash Paid on Unapportioned Sidewalk Assessments	955.78
Cash Paid on Unapportioned Sewer Assessments	8,113.44
Cash Paid on Water Rates	91,500.76
Cash Paid on Water Services	13,821.42
Cash Paid on Departmental Accounts Receivable	6,144.04
Abatements on Real Estate Taxes	28,214.13
Abatements on Personal Property Taxes	420.03
Abatements on Poll Taxes	1,086.00
Abatements on Excise Taxes	14,219.77
Abatements on Unapportioned Sewer Assessments	496.08
Abatements on Water Rates	26.10
Abatements on Water Services	5.45
Abatements on Departmental Accounts Receivable	51.28
Sewer Assessments Apportioned	9,963.47
Uncollected Real Estate Taxes	50,601.66
Uncollected Sewer Assessments	None
Uncollected Sidewalk Assessments	89.65
Uncollected Water Liens	309.15
Uncollected Committed Interest	3.58
Uncollected Personal Property Taxes	555.90
Uncollected Poll Taxes	118.00
Uncollected Excise Taxes	4,547.71
Uncollected Unapportioned Sidewalk Assessments	163.92
Uncollected Unapportioned Sewer Assessments	2,139.75
Uncollected Water Rates	4,692.77
Uncollected Water Services	641.50
Uncollected Departmental Accounts Receivable	851.93
	$1,945,191.94

Treasurer's Report

ROBERT G. BYRNE, *Treasurer*

In account with the Town of Swampscott for the year ending December 31, 1955:

Balance on hand, January 1, 1955	$ 419,063.51
Receipts and Income from all sources	$ 3,331,449.69
	$ 3,750,513.20
Less Warrants Paid	$ 3,301,300.43
Balance on hand, December 31, 1955	$ 449,212.77

STATEMENT

INDICATING BORROWING CAPACITY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1955

Valuation, 1953, Less Abatements	$33,085,880.00
Valuation, 1954, Less Abatements	$34,670,951.00
Valuation, 1955, Less Abatements	$35,062,752.00
Total Valuation	$102,819,583.00
Average Valuation	$ 34,273,194.33
Five Per Cent (5%) of Average Value	$ 1,713,659.71
Less Outstanding Debt Issued Inside Debt Limit	$ 1,081,000.00
Borrowing Capacity as of December 31, 1955	$ 632,659.71

TRUST FUNDS

The following is a list of Trust Funds held by the Town Treasurer as Custodian of all Funds and Securities as provided for by Chapter 282 of the General Acts of 1915 indicating balances as of December 31, 1955:

Phillips Medal Fund	$2,627.93
Joanna Morse Library Fund	5,196.00
Ellen R. Whittle Library Fund	2,000.00
Mary L. Thomson Library Fund	1,000.00
Cemetery Gifts and Bequeaths Fund	5,873.21
Perpetual Care of Cemetery Fund	5,922.90
Emma Y. Stocker Cemetery Fund	509.56
Hattie F. Sherman Cemetery Fund	500.00
Manual Ross Scholarship Fund	150.59
*High School Alumni Fund	4,485.18

*This is not a Trust Fund as defined by law but is held by the Town Treasurer in behalf of the Alumni Fund Committee.

Town Accountant

I. Murray Adams, *Accountant*

Comparative figures have not been used in the following report as the various appropriations have been changed so radically that it is not possible to assemble like categories.

It will be noted that there is a continuing increase in receipts from real estate taxes, due to new houses and payments for auto excise increase each year. Contributions from the state have remained on the same level for some time. Expenditures increase each year due to increasing costs of both materials and services. This condition is not peculiar to Swampscott; towns of comparable area and population are experiencing increasing tax rates. The costs of government appear to increase geometrically with the concentration of population. New homes bring in more tax revenue, but also more children in the schools, more streets to pave, more water and sewer pipe. An evaluation of the services furnished will reveal many which are not customary in larger communities.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 61, Chapter 41, of the General Laws, the following report is submitted. It is arranged in accordance with the rules prescribed by the Director of Accounts. A detailed report of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1955, is available at this office.

Where the Money Came From

CASH ON HAND JANUARY 1		$433,336.30
GENERAL REVENUE		
Swampscott Taxes:		
Poll	7,110.00	
Personal	78,607.99	
Real Estate	1,464,628.75	
Tax Title Redemptions	3,013.03	
Housing Authority	1,296.00	
Estate of Deceased Persons	473.35	
Total Taxes		1,555,129.12
From State:		
Income Tax	77,731.53	
Corporation Tax	82,750.66	
Meal	3,086.63	
Schools	32,909.66	
Total State		196,478.48
Grants and Gifts:		
Chapter 90, State	11,650.51	
Chapter 90, County	3,869.78	
County, Dog License Refund	834.61	
Federal Government:		
A.D.C. Administration	3,652.66	
A.D.C. Assistance	4,052.13	
O.A.A. Administration	6,139.02	
O.A.A. Assistance	55,432.28	
D.A. Administration	631.31	
D.A. Assistance	3,385.23	
Total Grants and Gifts		89,647.53

WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM — Continued

Miscellaneous:		
Court Fines	287.00	
Permits and Licenses	49,973.91	
Seal Bounty	5.50	
Estimated Receipts	49.73	
Total Miscellaneous		50,316.14
Other Taxes and Assessments:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	207,520.17	
Sewer Assessments	13,265.75	
Sidewalk Assessments	1,373.14	
Total Taxes and Assessments		222,159.06
Departmental Receipts:		
Town Hall	360.00	
Board of Appeals	65.00	
Planning Board	5.00	
Police	93.95	
Fire	1,000.00	
Building Inspector	462.00	
Wire Inspector	664.25	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	168.80	
Civilian Defense	551.25	
Plumbing Inspector	2,099.00	
Health	658.14	
Sewer	70.00	
Telephone	254.59	
Public Welfare	2,794.78	
O.A.A. (State)	49,247.29	
O.A.A. (Cities and Towns)	11,622.23	
O.A.A. Recovery	164.40	
A.D.C.	556.52	
Disability Assistance	8,416.86	
Veterans' Services	1,299.17	
School Tuition	651.50	
School Vocational Training	1,441.76	
School Miscellaneous	915.56	
School Lunch	43,169.26	
School Athletic	5,565.28	
Rent Control	467.40	
Library	1,893.96	
Park	599.40	
Costs	56.00	
Total Departmental Receipts		135,313.35
Municipal Indebtedness:		
Temporary Loans	600,000.00	
Bond Issues:		
Library	95,000.00	
Sewer	40,000.00	
Fire	24,000.00	
Premiums	128.35	
Interest	105.12	
Total Municipal Indebtedness		759,233.47
Interest:		
Taxes	792.50	
Excise	89.83	
Tax Titles	316.71	
Sewer	63.63	
Sidewalk	.24	
Committed Interest	534.55	
Total Interest		1,797.46

WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM — Continued

Trust Funds:		
Library	245.88	
Phillips Medal	71.23	
Cemetery	159.11	
Total Trust Funds		476.22
Cemetery:		
Sale of Lots	6,026.00	
Fees	3,732.25	
Recording Fees	39.00	
Total Cemetery Receipts		9,797.25
Water:		
Rates	91,050.36	
Services	12,321.42	
Rents	1,500.00	
Liens	3,663.12	
Total Water Receipts		108,534.90
Dog Licenses	1,268.80	1,268.80
Withholding Taxes	140,395.38	140,395.38
Refunds	46,629.74	46,629.74
Total Receipts		3,750,513.20

DEBT STATEMENT

	Interest Rate	Amount Outstanding	
SEWERS AND DRAINS			
Sewer 1929	4.5	12,000.00	
Sewer 1931	4	2,000.00	
Outfall Sewer 1948	2	180,000.00	
Sewer 1955	1.6	40,000.00	
Surface Drain 1952	1.4	60,000.00	
Total Sewers and Drains			294,000.00
WATER	1.6	55,000.00	55,000.00
SCHOOLS			
*High School Addition 1936	2	13,000.00	
*Clark School 1950	1.75	225,000.00	
Clark School 1950	1.5	90,000.00	
Clark School 1951	1.75	65,000.00	
Stanley School		500,000.00	
Total Schools			893,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS			
Fire Equipment 1955	1.7	24,000.00	
Library Addition 1955	1.7	95,000.00	
Total Miscellaneous			119,000.00
TOTAL DEBT			1,361,000.00

*Issued outside debt limit, Total $238,000.00

Where the Money Went

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Moderator	150.00
Finance Committee: Wages	600.00
Expenses	174.68
Town Meeting	160.39
Selectmen: Chairman	750.00
Associates (2)	1,200.00
Secretary	1,000.00
Clerk	2,568.81
Extra Clerical	100.00
Office Expense	1,254.14
Travel	79.46
Miscellaneous	393.35
Town Accountant: Accountant	4,613.57
Clerk	2,711.45
Clerk (Part Time)	1,355.73
Extra Clerical	100.00
Office Expense	478.11
Travel	44.61
Miscellaneous	82.99
Calculating Machines Rental	45.00
Treasurer: Treasurer	1,980.00
Clerks	3,800.00
Extra Clerical	100.00
Office Expense	2,465.40
Certification Notes and Bonds	277.54
Tax Title Foreclosures	938.50
Collector of Taxes: Collector	2,292.45
Clerk	2,711.45
Office Expense	1,925.00
Insurance-Protection	830.00
Miscellaneous	461.70
Law: Town Counsel	3,800.00
Contingent Account	716.36
Expense	1,610.86
Town Clerk: Town Clerk	1,302.45
Clerk	2,711.45
Extra Clerical	100.00
Vital Statistics	715.00
Oaths	75.00
Office Expense	446.98
Miscellaneous	315.00
Out of State Travel	400.00
Election-Registration: Registrars	700.00
Officers	1,410.28
Canvassers	444.72
Clerk	2,763.42
Office Expense	3,497.48
Amount Brought Forward	$56,653.33

WHERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

Amount Carried Forward		$56,653.33
Assessors: Chairman	1,650.00	
Associates (2)	1,100.00	
Canvassers	300.00	
Secretary to Board	50.00	
Clerks (2)	5,422.90	
Office Expense	1,729.26	
Travel—Conventions	300.00	
Engineers: Engineer	5,740.00	
Assistant Engineer	4,940.00	
Transitman	3,940.00	
Rod-Inspector	3,540.00	
Extra Labor	5,983.90	
Office Expense	1,141.02	
Travel Expense	307.77	
Miscellaneous	54.00	
Transit Repair	131.50	
Administration Building: Custodian	3,953.55	
Assistant Custodian	3,521.11	
Assistant Custodian	3,521.11	
Expenses	9.00	
Building Expenses	3,019.59	
Town Hall Expenses	1,492.41	
Repairs	85.19	
Planning Board: Clerk	50.00	
Expenses	162.24	
Board of Appeals: Clerk	200.00	
Expenses	319.61	
Contributory Retirement: Secretary	260.00	
Clerk (One-half Time)	1,355.72	
Expenses	840.00	
Pension Fund	30,816.00	
Service Credit Fund	190.27	
Total General Government		$142,779.48

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police: Chief	5,018.90
Clerk	2,711.45
Extra Clerical	100.00
Captains (3)	14,010.60
Men (20)	77,819.99
Reserves, Special and Holidays	15,480.84
Office Expense	2,324.38
Travel Expense	100.00
Building Expense	1,231.85
Municipal Protection	3,581.47
Supplies	1,874.61
Miscellaneous	211.58
Mobile Radio	670.24
State Training School	200.00
Uniforms	897.65
Out of State Travel	250.47
Auto	1,929.00
Insurance	393.40
Women	4,333.05
Fire: Chief	5,001.40
Deputy Chief	3,389.35
Captains (5)	21,613.00
Men (25)	97,285.00

WHERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

Alarm Assistant	321.20	
Clerk	321.20	
Mechanic	321.20	
Extra Labor	1,125.42	
Extra Men, Vacations	3,453.25	
Holidays	3,329.99	
Office Expense	975.08	
Travel	192.80	
Building Expense	4,301.81	
Insurance-Protection	1,752.56	
Out of State Travel	200.00	
Uniforms	848.19	
Hydrant Rental	1,000.00	
Supplies	3,596.63	
Phillips Beach Engine House	383.38	
Fire Pump	31,905.97	
Central Fire Station Committee		
Forest Warden	100.00	
Civil Defense: Director	1,533.00	
Supplies	771.36	
Municipal Protection	4,087.00	
Constable: Wages	100.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures:		
Wages	550.00	
Expense	188.06	
Travel	120.00	
Building Inspector: Inspector	2,200.00	
Assistant Inspector	330.00	
Office Expense	224.85	
Wire Inspector: Inspector	1,000.00	
Office Expense	83.65	
Travel	200.00	
Dog Officer: Wages	880.00	
Printing-Advertising	36.63	
Truck	125.00	
Supplies	127.78	
Insurance	14,425.69	26,983.02
Total Protection of Persons and Property		341.539.93
HEALTH AND SANITATION:		
Health: Board Members	550.00	
Officer	4,307.20	
Nurse	3,497.00	
Clerk	2,851.92	
Physician	75.00	
Animal Inspector	500.00	
Office Expense	463.98	
Travel in State	1,123.78	
Inspection, Tests, etc.	6,063.15	
Mosquitoes, Noxious Weeds	282.71	
Refuse and Garbage	39,995.00	
Sewer: Department Head	4,527.79	
Clerk	348.80	
1st Man	3,787.16	
2nd Man	3,519.55	
Overtime	1,050.00	

WHERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

Commissioners (3)	495.00	
Office Expense	176.17	
Building Expense	3,498.71	
Insurance	99.13	
Municipal Protection	339.44	
Emergency	1,339.81	
Miscellaneous	5.90	
Prospect Street	2,375.52	
Chimney	593.75	
Construction	27,583.38	
Drains: Jessie Street	1,542.17	
Eulow Street	1,000.00	
Catch Basins and Drains	115.00	
Oakledge Road	27.50	
Sewer Extension	1,206.35	
Total Health and Sanitation		113,340.87
HIGHWAYS:		
Highway: Surveyor	5,018.00	
Clerk Part Time	240.00	
Laborers (26)	89,960.20	
Office Expense	257.98	
Building Expense	1,266.41	
Insurance-Protection	1,413.78	
Equipment-Maintenance	8,567.32	
Supplies	11,564.22	
Miscellaneous	78.29	
Snow and Ice: Wages	2,788.92	
Expenses	1,146.50	
Lighting Streets	42,062.78	
Chapter 90	23,449.82	
Sidewalks	8,971.80	
Shepard Road	3,723.08	
Harrison Avenue	596.89	
Eureka Avenue	39.24	
Young Avenue	71.94	
Worcester Avenue	39.24	
Smith Lane	798.06	
Swampscott Avenue	107.36	
Puritan Road Wall	287.44	
Total Highways		202,449.27
CHARITIES AND VETERANS SERVICES:		
Public Welfare: Agent	572.00	
Clerk	2,711.45	
Board Members (3)	385.00	
Secretary	100.00	
Assistance	9,817.27	
Aid to Dependent Children	3,000.00	
U. S. Grant: Aid Dependent Children	6,178.35	
Disability Assistance	8,000.00	
U. S. Grant Disability Assistance Adm.	586.70	
U. S. Grant Disability Assistance	7,403.66	
Old Age Assistance: Agent	596.44	
Clerk	2,711.45	
Board Members (3)	990.00	
Secretary	100.00	
Social Worker	1,340.00	
Old Age Assistance	85,000.00	

WHERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

U. S. Grant Old Age Assistance Adm.	7,083.22	
U. S. Grant Old Age Assistance	56,312.58	
Veterans Services: Salary	1,320.00	
Office Expense	316.98	
Travel Expense	193.85	
Assistance	4,200.95	
Pensions	41,186.06	
Workmen's Compensation: Wages	50.00	
Expenses	1,029.08	
Total Charities and Veterans Services		241,185.04
SCHOOLS:		
Schools: Superintendent	7,697.48	
Secretary (3)	9,365.76	
Secretary Part Time	110.03	
Teachers	494,733.53	
Janitors	58,438.00	
Health	4,215.22	
Office Expense	4,148.92	
Travel	1,613.25	
Building Expense	40,725.01	
Insurance and Protection	881.71	
Miscellaneous	51,659.27	
Out of State Travel	1,247.31	
Lunch	45,256.79	
Tuition	2,737.12	
Transportation	1,484.52	
High School Additional Facilities	7,043.51	
Hadley School Fire Alarm	1,393.39	
Stanley School	40,224.32	
Building Committee	9,495.09	
Hadley School Building Committee	4,463.60	
Athletic Fund	5,710.69	
Hadley School Repairs	8,861.67	
Total Schools		801,506.19
LIBRARY:		
Library: Librarian	4,465.63	
Children's Librarian	3,249.26	
Reference Librarian	3,249.26	
General Assistant	2,169.96	
Office Assistant	2,720.00	
Janitor	3,470.00	
Assistant Janitor	70.00	
Assistants by the hour	2,010.17	
Office Expense	1,004.59	
Travel	27.61	
Building Expense	3,105.82	
Materials	4,845.96	
Miscellaneous	65.41	
Addition	87,005.08	
Lighting	312.50	
Morse Fund	89.15	
Total Library		117,860.40
Total School and Library		919,366.59

WHERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

RECREATION:		
Park: Superintendent	5,018.00	
Laborers	38,896.76	
Special Help	3,522.30	
Extra Labor	1,500.00	
Sound Technician	55.00	
Overtime	998.69	
Tree Climber	1,314.46	
Secretary	50.00	
Office Expense	382.64	
Travel	625.00	
Building Expense	4,545.48	
Equipment Maintenance	4,305.00	
Material	4,373.97	
Moth Control	4,787.07	
Dutch Elm	2,858.75	
Recreation	3,000.00	
Shade Trees	2,000.00	
Tractor	2,700.00	
Truck	2,722.67	
Ball Field	2,497.72	
Phillips Park	965.02	
Total Recreation		87,118.53
UNCLASSIFIED:		
Legion Building	1,750.00	
Town Reports	2,650.80	
Fourth of July	1,191.24	
Memorial Day	897.98	
Veterans' Day	198.93	
Building By-Laws	260.00	
Wage Committee	199.07	
Public Building Committee	293.93	
Centennial	89.75	
Land Damage Claims	2,000.00	
Emergency Storm Damage	3,268.80	
J. P. Hines	2,800.00	
Judgments	16,091.30	
State Guard Convention	100.00	
Albert Stone Claim	445.28	
Greenway Land Taking	1.00	
Rent Control: Salary	1,335.00	
Rent Control: Expenses	33.50	
Boiler Emergency	1,200.00	
State Census	750.00	
Total Unclassified		$35,556.58
WATER:		
Water: Commissioners (3)	1,485.00	
Superintendent	5,140.00	
Clerk	3,123.19	
Assistant Clerk	2,711.45	
1st Man	3,787.16	
Laborers (6)	21,162.96	
Meters	1,600.00	
Standby Pay	2,461.93	
Extra Labor	1,177.32	
Office Expense	965.87	
Travel	625.00	

WHERE THE MONEY WENT — Continued

Building Expense	247.89	
Insurance	297.39	
Municipal Protection	633.81	
Pipes-Fittings	14,533.01	
Miscellaneous	165.00	
Out of State Travel	190.73	
Emergency	2,645.03	
Mains	1,918.47	
Foster Dam	3,943.08	
Stand Pipe Painting	199.00	
Metropolitan	30,103.60	
Total Water		$99,116.89
CEMETERY:		
Cemetery: Superintendent	4,432.32	
Extra Clerical	150.00	
Laborers (4)	14,159.44	
Overtime	994.50	
Extra Labor	779.75	
Office Expense	677.51	
Building Expense	349.96	
Insurance	10.00	
Equipment Maintenance	1,237.80	
Supplies	2,160.07	
Vaults	815.05	
New Section	14,857.44	
House Repairs	3,116.76	
Total Cemetery		$43,740.60
INTEREST, MATURING DEBT AND AGENCY:		
Anticipation of Revenue	$600,000.00	
Debt	112,000.00	
Interest	28,034.83	
State Assessments	24,567.23	
County Tax	81,064.99	
Dog License	1,281.40	
Tuberculosis Hospital	24,293.39	
Cemetery Recording Fees	39.00	
Tailings	188.09	
Alumni Fund	30.00	
Cemetery Funds	14.06	
Phillips Medal Fund	71.23	
World War II Memorial Trust Fund	12.50	
Withholding Tax	140,397.48	
Warrants Payable	2,829.21	
Total Interest, Maturing Debt and Agency		$1,014,823.41
REFUNDS:		
Refunds Real, Personal, Polls	6,185.86	
Refunds Excise, Water, Est. Receipts	8,182.54	
Refunds deducted from Expenditures	45,914.74	
		60,283.14
Total Expenditures for the Year		3,301,300.33
Cash on Hand, December 31		449,212.87
Total		$3,750,513.20

Balance as of December 31, 1955

Cash	$449,212.87	
Petty Cash	255.00	
1952 Real Estate	47.00	
1953 Real Estate	48.00	
1954 Real Estate	3,807.48	
1955 Poll	856.00	
1955 Personal	693.00	
1955 Real Estate	53,387.97	
1954 Excise	2,031.82	
1955 Excise	5,667.80	
1956 Warrants Payable		13,649.11
Unapportioned Sewers	2,465.82	
1955 Sewers	33.12	
Unapportioned Sidewalks	744.21	
1955 Sidewalks	162.32	
1954 Committed Interest		.24
1955 Committed Interest	8.65	
Interest on Sewers Paid in Advance		3.85
Committed Interest Sewer Asst. Pd. Adv.	5.95	
Tax Titles	11,814.52	
Tax Possessions	2,340.66	
Estate of Deceased Persons	2,730.08	
A/R Health	1,654.00	
Public Welfare	123.80	
Disability Assistance	8 86.63	
A.D.C.	907.28	
O.A.A. (Cities and Towns)	173.09	
Vets Services		357.78
Schools	977.07	
Parks	250.00	
Old Age Recovery		243.40
Welfare Recovery		15.00
Water Rates	10,497.73	
Water Services	57.08	
Water Liens Added to '55 Taxes	309.15	
1953 Overlay		282.85
1954 Overlay		28,676.45
1955 Overlay		29,062.38
Overlay Reserve		40,988.53
Cemetery Recording Fees		1.00
Cemetery Receipts Res. for Appro.		14,362.59
Petty Cash Reserve		255.00
Water Available Surplus		36,949.34
Insurance Fund		147.55
Cemetery Trust Fund		36.89
Morse Library Fund		66.98
Thomson Library Fund		31.20
Trust Fund Transactions	12.50	
Whittle Library Fund		60.68
Amount carried forward	552,161.20	165,190.82

BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1955

Amount brought forward	552,161.20	165,190.82
A/R State and County Aid to Highways	5,944.08	
State Aid to Highways	1,621.23	
County Aid to Highways	2,021.55	
State and County Highway Aid to Revenue		11,012.46
Reservations 1955	1,260.14	
T. B. Hospital 1955		5,531.83
County Tax 1955	1,846.99	
Boston Arena	453.05	
Tailings 1955		209.67
Excise Revenue		7,699.62
Special Assessment Revenue		3,415.98
Tax Title Revenue		11,814.52
Tax Possession Revenue		2,340.66
Departmental Revenue		4,614.09
Water Revenue		10,863.96
Estate of Deceased Persons Revenue		2,730.08
Surplus Revenue		147,463.93
Transit 1955		43.50
Central Fire Station		2,500.00
Civil Defense Supplies		28.64
Civil Defense Municipal Protection		71.72
Sewer Temple Drain		1.00
Sewer Chimney		1,006.25
1955 Sewers		24,366.62
Jessie Street Drain		957.83
Oakledge Road Sewer		1,472.50
1955 Sidewalks		1,258.88
Chapter No. 90		6,563.53
Banks Circle		2,400.00
Porter Court		1,350.00
Shepard Road		76.92
Harrison Avenue		1,203.11
Eureka Avenue		760.76
Young Avenue		678.06
Worcester Avenue		2,260.76
Smith Lane		151.94
Swampscott Avenue		3,142.64
Longley Avenue Land Taking		1.00
Highway Land Purchase		1.00
U. S. Grant—ADC Administration		2,025.28
ADC Assistance		4,716.58
Disability Asst. Administration		853.67
Disability Assistance		1,043.63
O.A.A. Administration		1,487.13
O.A.A. Assistance		10,301.67
School Lunch		574.17
High School Add. Facilities		6.49
Hadley Fire Alarm		106.61
Stanley School		10,037.09
Amount carried forward	565,308.24	454,336.60

BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1955

Amount brought forward	565,308.24	454,336.60
Hadley Building Committee		536.40
Athletic Account		7.40
Hadley School Repairs		22,162.33
New High School		10,625.00
Library Addition		37,994.92
Library Lighting		6,187.50
Park Truck		77.33
Ball Field		2.28
Phillips Park		34.98
Park Land Taking		1.00
Walker Road Eminent Domain		1.00
Real Estate Disposal		219.25
Humphrey Street Land Taking		1.00
Fisherman's Beach Land Court		143.87
Building By-Laws		40.00
1955 By-Laws		687.50
Boiler Emergency Account	1,200.00	
Wage Committee		36.93
Public Building Committee		1,335.07
Departmental Accounts		191.00
Centennial Committee		285.66
Public Works		32.30
Water Mains		52.92
Foster Dam Main		24,789.55
Cemetery Lot Purchase		.91
Cemetery New Section		6,650.83
Cemetery House Repairs		583.24
Interest	742.00	
Bond Premium		233.47
	$567,250.24	$567,250.24

Rent Control Board

SPENCER E. OLSON, *Chairman*

JOHN R. COOPER — LOUIS A. HERSHMAN
EVERETT C. HOWE — GORHAM L. DERMODY

The Board has met periodically, holding a total of twelve meetings. Thirty-nine petitions were received to be acted upon: twenty-nine requests for increase were granted while ten were denied.

The cost of administering the Rental Control law for the year was $1335.00 paid as salary to Mrs. Phyllis V. Doane, part-time clerk, plus $33.50 office expenses, making a total of $1368.50, forty percent of this amount being reimbursable by the State.

Since the Rent Control Act expired on December 31, 1955, this office was closed on that date.

Engineering Department

HOWARD L. HAMILL, *Town Engineer*

Engineering services furnished by this Department for the year ending December 31, 1955, included surveys, computations, record plans, cost estimates, assessment quantities, designs for construction projects, assignment of house numbers, preparation of contracts, including specifications and drawings, description of properties and easements, and furnishing of information and engineering data to private engineers, surveyors, attorneys and other persons.

The apportionment of these engineering services is shown in the following table:—

Department	Man-Hours	%	Department	Man-Hours	%
Sewer	2284	23.47	Health	318	3.27
*Engineering	1657	17.03	Park	47	0.48
Selectmen	1251	12.86	Planning Board	41	0.42
Highway	988	10.15	Finance Committee	41	0.42
Cemetery	696	7.15	School	26	0.27
Water	685	7.04	Town Counsel	21	0.22
Assessors	657	6.75	Town Clerk	10	0.10
Private Citizens	505	5.19	Town Accountant	9	0.09
Police	494	5.08	Fire	1	0.01
			TOTALS	9731	100.00

*Includes administration, clerical work, and work not chargeable to a particular department or individual, e.g. keeping Town Map up to date.

The various departments which require the services of this department usually mention in their respective reports a detail of the projects requiring such service; therefore, no listing of specific projects is included herein.

The work load on the department has continued to increase. More projects are voted at the Annual Town Meeting than the department can handle, and catch-up on the previous carry-over. Therefore, the projects most important to each department are completed first.

More funds were necessary to complete the Cemetery project, these funds having been appropriated. This project will be completed in the Spring of 1956.

Inclement weather has stopped the 1955 Sewer Project and it will be started again as soon as weather permits.

This Department is deeply grateful for the patience, understanding and cooperation shown by the personnel of the various Departments with which we have had the pleasure of working during the past year.

Before concluding my Annual Report, I should like to take this opportunity to publicly express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to Mr. George H. Melcher, who has been Assistant Town Engineer for some years, for the very capable and efficient manner in which he carried on the work of the Engineering Department through my absence from the Office because of illness during part of 1955.

Water Department

HAROLD C. HUDSON, *Chairman*
GEORGE B. ATKINS ALFRED N. FRAZIER
CHESTER E. BRADLEY, *Water Superintendent*

We respectfully submit our annual report of the activities of the Water Department for the year ending December 31, 1955.

SERVICES:

61 New Services have been installed
26 Services renewed completely
14 Services renewed from main to sidewalk
4 Services renewed from sidewalk to meter
65 Service leaks repaired
66 Services cleaned out
379 Services on request have been turned on or off
33 Service boxes dug and repaired
3 Services extended
15 Frozen services thawed out

METERS:

35 Obsolete meters have been replaced with new ones
75 Meters have been cleaned, tested and repaired
162 Meter leaks have been repaired in the field
2 Meters relocated
10 Meters damaged by freezing
92 New meters installed
4 Meters frozen

MAINS:

Installed in following streets:

Walnut Road	317 feet 6″ cast iron pipe
Boulder Way	208 feet 6″ cast iron pipe
Lewis Road	315 feet 6″ cast iron pipe
Orchard Terrace	103 feet 2″ copper tubing

2 Breaks in our large mains were repaired
13 Main line gate boxes dug up and repaired
3 Main line gates dug up and repacked

HYDRANTS:

Flushed in the Spring, painted during the Summer, flushed, inspected and winterized in the late Fall.

3 Hydrants relocated
3 Hydrants damaged by motor vehicles were repaired
1 Hydrant had new valve installed
3 Hydrants were frozen
1 Additional hydrant was installed in Lewis Road.

All excavations made by this department have been brought to grade and tarpatched or cemented.

Meter basins were installed at Vaughan Place, Elwin Road, Fisher Avenue, Sampson Road and Nichols Street, to enable the residents that are not on the

permanent Town water supply to have a surface line water supply for the Summer and early Fall months.

This department was helped on numerous occasions this year by the Police Department when the Police Patrol cars were contacted by radio to get in touch with our employees in different parts of the town to take care of emergencies.

We wish to thank all departments for their splendid spirit of co-operation.

HYDRANTS

In use December 31, 1954	353
Added in 1955	1
	354

GATES

In use December 31, 1954	719
Added in 1955	2
	721

SERVICES

In use December 31, 1954	3568
Added in 1955	61
	3629
Abandoned in 1955	—2
	3627

Size	Wrought Iron	Cast Iron	Cement Lined	Brass	Total
1¼″			303 ft.		303 ft.
1½″			80 ft.	438 ft.	518 ft.
2″	4067 ft.		1365 ft.	2,839 ft.	8,271 ft.
4″		4,494 ft.			4,494 ft.
6″		150,575 ft.			150,575 ft.
8″		11,851 ft.			11,851 ft.
10″		26,393 ft.			26,393 ft.
12″		14,604 ft.			14,604 ft.
14″		4,812 ft.			4,812 ft.
16″		1,502 ft.			1,502 ft.
	4067 ft.	214,231 ft.	1,748 ft	3,277 ft.	223,323 ft

Total miles of mains — 42.29

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY — WATER DEPARTMENT

Water Mains and Standpipe (distribution system)	$248,123.10
Meters and Parts (in service in system)	59,593.62
Stock on Hand (pipe, fittings and etc.)	11,500.00
Land on Pine Street	5,000.00
Brick Building on Pine Street	9,400.00
Two Car Garage on Pine Street	4,500.00
Water Shop and Garage	5,300.00
1—1947—1½ Ton Chev. Platform Dump Truck	200.00
1—1954—1½ Ton Chev. Platform Dump Truck with Crane	1,995.00
1—1954—¾ Ton Chev. Pick Up Truck	825.00
1—1954—Lindsey Portable Air Compressor	850.00
1—1955—Miller Welding Machine 200 Amp. (Skid Mounted)	700.00
	$347,986.72

Sewer Department

HAROLD C. HUDSON, *Chairman*
GEORGE B. ATKINS ALFRED N. FRAZIER
EDWARD F. BURKE, *Superintendent*

Whereas the Town of Swampscott has adopted a Board of Public Works, which will eliminate the Water & Sewerage Board and others, this will be the final Sewer Department Report.

Main sewer lines were installed in Sargent Road, Pleasant Street, Banks Terrace and are being installed in Essex Street, for a distance of 2423 feet making a total of 33 miles of sewers in the town. A diversionary sewer was installed at junction of Farragut and Grant Roads.

The Special Town Meeting of December 12 voted to extend the sewer in Oakledge Avenue for a distance of 92 feet in order to abate a health menace. This work will be started in January 1956.

Drains were installed in Eulow Street, Jessie Street and from Humphrey Street across land of Temple Israel and Sarah E. Kimball et al to Atlantic Avenue.

New particular sewers laid and inspected	41
Particular sewers rodded	192
Main sewers rodded, cleared of roots and grease	116
Sand and debris catcher pans replaced	31
Noisy manhole covers sealed	19
Brooks and drains were cleaned out after every storm and as often as necessary	
Sewage Pumpings for 1955	522 million gallons

The Board had anticipated the development of the so-called Whitney Estate, now the site of the New High School, by extending the trunk-line sewer in Pleasant Street to Forest Avenue.

At the Annual Town Election it was voted to accept the sewer department under Civil Service. We feel that this was a wise move and a reward to the employees for faithful service.

Approximately 40 feet of brick chimney at Sewer Pumping Station was repaired and pointed.

The town continues to grow despite the talk of "no available land for building," so does the need for sewer and drainage installations. Our personnel force of three men is hardly adequate to properly maintain all the brooks, drains and sewers in the Town. We recommend that 2 additional men be employed so that a program of preventive maintenance be carried out to correct problems before they become major and expensive to repair.

We believe that the actions of the Special Town Meeting of December 12, to make a survey of all the brooks and drains in the town is a step in the right direction to solve a long neglected problem.

Over the years the Board has held weekly meetings or as often as required to offer its services to those who have desired it. We have tried to the best of our ability to solve the problems in the best interests of the town. We have also tried

to be fair and just in our dealings and it is hoped that we have acted wisely in all matters pertaining to this department.

It is with deepest sorrow that we mention the death of our beloved Sewer Superintendent, Albert Enholm. He was associated with this department for over 32 years. During the years of his leadership, his sound judgement and earnest devotion to the welfare of this department have been of inestimable value. He will never be forgotten.

In September our senior maintenance man, Edward F. Burke, was promoted to Sewer Superintendent, subject to passing the qualifying examination established by the Division of Civil Service.

No department in the town can function alone, and with this thought in mind, we wish to thank all departments and our employees for having made our problems easier.

In closing we want to wish our successors, the Board of Public Works, success in its new venture and we shall be glad to cooperate in any way we can.

Building Inspector

RAYMOND O. DOANE, *Building Inspector*

	Permits Issued	Estimated Cost
Dwellings		
New	51	$ 617,500.00
Alterations and Additions	30	58,510.00
Private Garages		
New	50	62,200.00
Alterations and Additions	6	5,800.00
Miscellaneous		
Temple	1	550,000.00
Church	1	150,000.00
Library (Alteration)	1	37,000.00
Store (Alteration)	1	2,000.00
Office (Alteration)	1	1,800.00
Summer House	1	1,800.00
Demolish Dwellings	3	
Demolish Garage	1	
	147	$1,486,610.00

Building Permits			147
Permits to Shingle			55
			202
Number of Inspections (Buildings)			240
Number of Inspections (Shingling)			55
			295
Amount of Building Fees Collected			$530.00
Elevator Operator's Licenses Issued			
New	5		5.00
Renewals	4		2.00
			$537.00

Highway Department

TIMOTHY J. RYAN, *Surveyor*

Year	Employees	Budget	Expenditures
1950	26	$108,490.68	$102,563.64
1951	26	111,584.91	109,415.81
1952	26	131,579.79	118,715.64
1953	26	129,491.26	122,255.29
1954	26	132,191.26	126,319.17
1955	26	137,106.12	100,053.62

This is the final report of the Highway Department under our present form of town government.

Starting March 19, 1956 the Highway Department will operate under the Board of Public Works, which is the will of the Townspeople.

The new Board of Public Works will co-ordinate many departments under one Commissioner which should eventually prove beneficial to the Town.

New Homes are continually being built in the town and this year our valuation has been increased by approximately one and one-quarter million dollars. This continuous growth affects the demand on all departments for added service.

Each year new sidewalks are constructed on streets designated by the Board of Selectmen.

The following new streets, Shepard Road, Harrison Avenue, and Smith Lane, accepted by the Town, were built to grade and resurfaced.

The Essex Street and Danvers Road Bridges have been repaired with new heavy wood planking. These bridges are a constant expense to the Town because of the large amount of traffic on these highways.

Our Representative in the State Legislature, Hon. Thomas W. Newth, at the present time is trying to obtain some assistance from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the maintenance of these two bridges.

As in previous years the Highway Department has continued to take care of the maintenance of Preston and Whale Beaches and other matters pertaining to highway maintenance.

At the present time the Highway Department has the following equipment:

1—1936 White five ton truck
3—1947 White three ton truck
1—1953 White three ton truck
1—1949 Jeep 1/4 ton truck
1—1954 Jeep 3/4 ton truck
1—1945 Sidewalk Tractor with plow
3—1947 Sidewalk Tractors with plow
1—1955 Cement Mixer
1—1947 Conveyor
1—1947 Sno Go
1—1949 Lull Loader
1—1941 Compressor, 2 jack hammers and 2 paving breakers
1—1947 Street Cleaner
1—1949 Chevrolet Coupe
2—Small Gasoline pumps for drain.

John R. Conklin, a member of the department for many years, has retired on pension March 25, 1955.

Daniel Ronzano, a retired employee and a Veteran of three wars, passed way on February 14, 1955. He served both his country and his town with honor and integrity.

The Town should make every effort to obtain assistance from the State and County for the reconstruction of Puritan Road, under the Chapter 90 program.

In conclusion, I wish to thank all town departments and the men of my department for their cooperation during the year.

I also wish to advise that this department will do everything to assist and co-operate with the new Board of Public Works, who ever they may be, to render good service to the townspeople.

The Planning Board

HAROLD M. KING, *Chairman*
JAMES R. MADDOCK, *Secretary*
GORDON L. BROWN A. B. WAY, JR.
RALPH L. WILLIAMS

The Board held twenty-nine meetings in 1955. They signed thirty plans of lots and lot changes on the basis that, approval under the Subdivision Control Law was not required. Seven proposed subdivisions were discussed with the owners. Two public hearings were held, one on subdivision and one on rezoning.

The Board investigated the advisability of accepting eleven streets as requested by articles in the 1955 Town Meeting Warrant. They also investigated the advisability of enclosing Hawthorne Brook from Tedesco Country Club to Humphrey Street.

Two general hearings in regard to the brook across Littles Point were attended by members of the Board.

After having recommended for three successive years that the sewer and drainage problems of the Gale Estate and Littles Point Areas be studied and having been refused an appropriation for a survey each time, we found a way to get a topographic map which will give us a start on this, long delayed, but very vital project.

Members of the Board have studied and reported on every request for Zoning Variance made to the Board of Appeals.

Members of the Board have attended two Regional and one State Planning Board meetings.

The Board has conferred with other Town Boards and Departments when questions pertinent to their responsibilities arose.

The Board appreciates the help and co-operation given it by the Engineers Office, the Water and Sewer Board and other Boards and Departments.

Board of Health

Robert C. Thompson, M.D., *Chairman*
E. Wallace Donald
Robert H. Bessom, M.D.
John E. LaPlante, *Health Officer*

Deeply touched by the sudden loss of our co-worker and chairman, Dr. Loring Grimes, the Board of Health of Swampscott would pause to pay tribute to him.

As member and chairman of the Board, Dr. Grime's first thought was of the whole community, not of the individual person, place or case: he stressed the fact that he was only one member of the board and seldom expressed his opinion first. His zeal was for a fair, just and proper disposition of all problems, charges and violations which arose was inspiring and gratifying. He never departed from the principle of settlement on the basis of merit as against personalities. By his example he inspired the board and its personnel to act with honesty, fairness and thoughtfulness in service to the community and its citizenry. We shall miss the doctor's sound, mellowed judgement and long experience.

The Board of Health received 135 resident death certificates this year and composed the following figures: A crude death rate of 10.3—per thousand population and an average life expectancy of 68.4 per years at birth. The two leading causes of death continues to be the same as last year. Diseases of the heart and circulatory system claimed 85 persons and 30 deaths attributed to cancer. We may anticipate these diseases to be among the leading causes of death as our life expectancy increases.

We have received a total of 197 birth returns through December 3rd, two of these were stillbirths, and fifteen were premature births. This relatively large number of premature births may be explained by the fact that prematurity is determined according to State Law by a weight of 5½ pounds or less at birth, and full term babies, especially twins, not infrequently weigh less and must be considered premature.

When birth returns are received, a visit into the home is made by the public health nurse. The primary reason for this contact with the mother is to stress immunization for diptheria, tetanus and whooping cough at an early date. The nurse is also ready to discuss any problem concerning child care and direct the mother to her private physician or to the proper health facilities.

Visits to the home of premature infants are made before the return of the baby from the hospital in order to appraise the mother and environment and insure adequate care for the baby.

The following list is a comparison of communicable diseases reported during the past 3 years:

	1955	1954	1953
Chicken Pox	207	216	169
German Measles	8	6	14
Hepatitis (Infectious)	0	3	1
Measles	222	162	4
Mumps	299	186	41
Poliomyelitis	16	5	0
Salmonellosis	5	1	0
Scarlet Fever	25	14	12
Tuberculosis	2	3	2

The variable incidence of measles, mumps and chicken-pox continues as in past years; however, relatively few cases of these diseases were reported during the last quarter of the year. Our TB cases remain at a low level and this is largely due to our residential type of community and a vigorous contact and follow-up program. The polio incidence showed a marked increase in 1955 over the past 2 years and this increase is commensurate with the rest of the Commonwealth. Massachusetts has experienced one of its worst polio epidemics this year and a high percentage of these cases were the paralytic form.

When Dr. Francis made his favorable report on the 1954 Salk Polio Vaccine Field Trials, Swampscott, like many other communities, proceeded to administer the new vaccine to all eligible children in the first four grades who desired it, and 80% of these children received vaccine without developing any untoward reactions. Also, none of this group developed polio during the epidemic period.

In September after 1 dose of the vaccine had been administered, the State Department of Public Health indefinitely postponed the distribution of vaccine for public immunization programs as they felt further evidence was needed before it could be definitely considered safe and effective. However, State Health authorities are continuing to study the vaccine and its effect upon children, and we are most hopeful that our program may soon be resumed.

Dental Health continues to be one of the major problems of the Health Department in spite of the fact that dental inspections are done on all public and parochial school children in Kindergarten through Grade VI twice a year.

As a result of these inspections dental defect notices are sent to the parents, and this year 450 children out of the 1300 inspected had defects. Visits are made by the Public Health Nurse to the homes of those children who continually receive defect notices in an effort to educate the parents to the need for good dental health. Provisions are also made for financial assistance when the need is indicated.

As these inspections were performed it was gratifying to note a substantial increase in the number of children showing evidence of having been seen by the dentist.

It is the opinion of dental authorities that tooth decay can be attributed largely to poor nutrition, inadequate brushing, and lack of regular visits to the dentist, and in the effort to focus the children's attention on the importance of good dental health, a film was shown and a talk by Dr. Paul McNeil was presented in all the schools during National Children's Dental Health Week, February 7-11.

Our regular diptheria and tetanus immunization program was performed with a total of 16 children receiving a complete 3 dose immunization and 299 receiving boosters. The number of children receiving the complete treatment continues to be small compared to the boosters group; this is an indication that most children receive their initial diptheria and tetanus immunization as recommended during infancy and booster doses at periodical intervals in the schools.

The Health Department wishes to extend its sincere thanks and appreciation to the local dentists, physicians and volunteer lay persons, for their assistance in the successful administration of these dental and immunization programs.

At the annual rabies clinic held September 18-23, Dr. John J. Nilan inoculated 206 of the 634 Swampscott licensed dogs.

A total of 490 plumbing permits were issued this year; a decrease of 122 from 1954.

As a result of the heavy rains in August the Board of Health's attention was focused on pollution at the public beaches. An investigation of Stacey Brook revealed the presence of raw sewage flowing across King's Beach, and upon our recommendation the State Department of Public Health and the M.D.C. closed and posted the premises. Since this time the Swampscott Health Department has been making a survey of its drains and brooks throughout the town in order to locate and remove any possible sources of pollution.

Public and inter-departmental hearings have been held relative to the sewage and drainage problems existing in the Phillips Beach Avenue area, and these hearings brought out the need for a comprehensive survey in this locality to determine the best means of sewerage and drainage. Temporary repairs have been made to the lower part of the existing surface drain; however, a permanent drain and sewer are imperative and it is hoped that they will soon be constructed.

In keeping with a recent town policy, this report is largely submitted in narrative and any further information may be obtained from our office.

Department of Civil Defense

ROBERT O'NEILL, *Director*

I stated in my Annual Report for 1954 that Swampscott had been designated by the State Civil Defense Agency as being in the Evacuation Zone of Area 1, and we must make plans to evacuate whether we like the idea or not. We have, during the past year, endeavored to complete these plans. Our first move was to hold a series of meetings to acquaint the residents of the Town and our Civil Defense personnel of the over-all plans as outlined by the State Agency, and just how we proposed to put these plans into operation in Swampscott.

Evacuation questionnaires were delivered to each home with the request they be filled out and returned to the Director of Civil Defense. More than 2600 of these questionnaires were returned. Our next move was to make a complete survey of the Town to determine just how each section would be routed to join the Evacuation Route—Paradise Road or Route 1-A, the shortest, easiest and quickest possible way. A map has been prepared with this information, as well as designated assembly points throughout the Town, Dispersal Points for our C.D. Services and just what Reception Area has been assigned the residents of Swampscott. These maps will be distributed to every home just as soon as we receive the green light from State Headquarters. Meetings have been held with Civil Defense Directors of neighboring communities and plans made for the routing of evacuees from Swampscott through their Cities and Towns.

I would like to include in this report some facts on local Civil Defense Organization as covered in a recent bulletin from the Massachusetts Civil Defense Agency.

Town Counsel

JAMES W. SANTRY, JR.

During the past year as Town Counsel I have attended the various meetings of the Selectmen and other boards and committees of the Town and have advised them on the various legal matters arising in the conduct of their official duties. I have prepared contracts for all major purchases by the various departments of the Town including the contracts for the Library addition and the Library lighting.

I have prepared the warrants for the annual and the special town meetings held during the year and prepared all necessary votes in connection therewith.

Three important matters were litigated during the year. The first were the petitions for declaratory judgment for writs of mandamus brought by Hinch, Maitland and Picariello against the Selectmen of the Town of Swampscott arising out of the referendum called under the wage articles on votes passed at the Annual Town Meeting. These cases were fully tried before Judge Paul A. Kirk of the Superior Court and resulted in a dismissal of the actions thus sustaining the action of the Board of Selectmen in calling a referendum on these articles as petitioned for by the requisite number of registered voters of the Town.

The second action involved the petition for referendum under Articles 2, 3, 7 and 8 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of June 27, 1955 and was a petition for declaratory judgment brought by Irene M. Guay and nine other taxpayers of the Town against the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk alleging that the form in which the questions were to be submitted to the voters at large was improper and illegal. After a hearing upon the return of the order of notice, Judge Jessie W. Morton of the Superior Court sitting in Boston refused to issue an injunction restraining the holding of the special referendum election and the election was duly held. Thereafter, by agreement, the petition was dismissed.

The third matter was the appeal from the decision of the Board of Selectmen in granting a common victualer's all-alcoholic restaurant license to the Hawthorne-By-the-Sea Restaurant. Upon appeal to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission, the action of the Board of Selectmen in issuing the license was upheld.

Two cases were called for trial in the Appellate Tax Board in which the valuation placed on property by the Board of Assessors of the Town of Swampscott was challenged. Neither of these appeals came to trial and the appellants each withdrew and the valuations of the Board of Assessors were sustained.

One serious personal injury claim was settled by the Board of Selectmen in accordance with the vote of the Town and three minor claims were settled with the approval of the Board of Selectmen with funds transferred from the Reserve to the Law Others Account.

One fireman was sued as a result of an accident in which a piece of fire apparatus was involved. I have appeared as Town Counsel defending this action. The insurance company covering the truck involved in this accident paid the Town the sum of $300.00 to repair the damages done to the fire apparatus in this accident. This case is now pending in the District Court of Southern Essex.

Two cases brought by a resident of Pine Hill Road alleging damage to his

property arising from the blasting done by independent contractors when work was being done in Pine Hill Road were dismissed as against the Town of Swampscott.

There are six cases pending before the Appellate Tax Board against the Town. There is one case pending in the Superior Court for personal injuries arising out of an alleged defect in the sidewalk. There is one case pending in the Superior Court for damages arising out of a water condition on Winshaw Road.

World War II Memorial Fund

Ernest Manchin, *Chairman*
Philip H. Stafford, *Secretary*
Benjamin Goldberg
Clement Kennedy — David F. Doherty
John R. Cooper — Albert F. Pashby

Two features of this year's program are, the increase to the Trustees of the amount of the scholarship from $250.00 to $300.00 and a trial solicitation by mail for contributions to the Fund, which proved successful. The contributions received totaled $369.00 with expenses of $18.50. There was an additional expense of $12.50 for certificates which were given to those who were awarded scholarships for the past five years.

A contribution was also received from the Swampscott High School class of 1946 in the amount of $33.00.

A Trustee in addition to a contribution made available the necessary clerical service for soliciting contributions for the Fund, for which sincere thanks are extended.

The $300.00 scholarship was awarded to Sandra Strong who enrolled at University of Massachusetts.

The balance of the Fund as of December 31, 1955 follows:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	$5,545.37
Salem Savings Banks	5,599.91
Provident Institution for Savings	109.74
Total Balance	$11,255.02
Balance due Virginia M. Donald	50.00
Net Balance as of December 31, 1955	$11,205.02
The total of the scholarships awarded to date	$ 1,300.00

At the Annual Meeting, which was held October 5, 1955 at the New Ocean House, the Trustees formally accepted the contribution received from the Swampscott High School Class of 1946. The plan for soliciting contributions through the mail was set up. Ernest Manchin was elected Chairman and Philip H. Stafford was elected Secretary for the coming year.

The Swampscott World Ward II Memorial Fund welcomes gifts and bequests. It is suggested that those contemplating gifts or bequests, confer with any Trustee of the Fund. A letter received from the U. S. Treasury Department, states: "Contributions made to the Fund are deductible by the donors in computing their taxable net income, etc."

Police Department

FRANCIS P. WALL, *Chief*

On June 24, 1955 Officer Joseph L. Shanahan regular member of this department was retired on pension. Officer Shanahan had served in the department for thirty years.

On June 24, 1955 Stephen J. Boraizia was appointed a permanent patrolman from the reserve list to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Officer Joseph L. Shanahan.

On July 28, 1955 Francis A. Losano was appointed a Reserve Officer to fill a vacancy resulting from the appointment of Stephen J. Boraizia to the regular force.

Officers James E. Hanley and John Stone attended and graduated from the Massachusetts State Police School. The training of these officers has proven to be beneficial both to the officers and to the department.

During the year there were twelve School Traffic Policewomen appointed. This trained uniformed force supervises the safety of children going to and from school and is doing excellent work.

AUXILIARY POLICE

The Auxiliary Police under the direction of the Captain John P. Costin has been active during the year in assisting the regular force in many police functions. This force is ready for immediate service at any time.

ARRESTS

On warrant	16
Without warrant	34
Summonsed to appear in Court	10
Witness summonses served	33
Warrants served for other Police Departments	6
Summonses to appear in Court served for other Police Departments	255

OFFENCES CHARGED

Assault and battery	5
Assault and battery with dangerous weapon	1
Attempted larceny	3
Being present at card game on the Lord's Day	9
Breaking and entering and larceny in daytime	2
Breaking and entering and larceny in nighttime	4
Carrying a gun without a permit	1
Disorderly conduct	2
Drunkenness	20
Larceny	4
Unlawfully setting off explosive	1
Non-Support of wife and children	1
Threats	1
Violation of conditions of probation	1
Motor vehicle laws:	
Failure to obey traffic signal	1
Leaving scene of accident—not making self known—property damage	2
Operating motor vehicle after revocation of license	1
Operating motor vehicle after right has been suspended	1
Operating motor vehicle so as to endanger	1
Operating motor vehicle under the influence of liquor	4
Operating motor vehicle without a license	3
Using motor vehicle without authority	1

DISPOSITION OF CASES

Dismissed	5
Filed	9
Fined	23
Found not guilty	3
Released (Drunkenness, first offense)	11
Sentenced to Concord Reformatory	2
Sentenced to House of Correction	3
Suspended sentence to House of Correction	7
Suspended sentence to State Farm	1
Suspended sentence to Youth Service Board	5

MISCELLANEOUS

Accidents:	
Automobile accidents reported and investigated	
Fatalities	1
Accidents involving personal injuries	48
Property damage only	46
Personal injuries:	
Pedestrians injured	12
Bicyclists	4
Operators and passengers	62
Ambulance Service:	
To accidents	13
To false alarms	17
To fires	54
Persons conveyed to Hospitals	190
Persons conveyed to Doctor's Office	5
Persons conveyed to Rest Homes	6
Persons conveyed from Hospital to home	42
Persons conveyed from Nursing Home to another Nursing Home	2
Persons conveyed from Hospital to another Hospital	5
Persons conveyed from Hospital to Nursing Home	15
Persons conveyed from Nursing Home to home	3
Persons conveyed from Nursing Home to Hospital	1
Persons conveyed from Church to home	1
Use of Inhalator	2
Motor Patrol Service:	
Assistance given to sick and injured persons	37
Persons conveyed to Doctor's office	1
Persons conveyed to Hospitals	39
Persons conveyed from Hospital to home	7
Persons conveyed from Nursing Home to Hospital	3
Person conveyed from Nursing Home to home	1
Person conveyed from Hospital to another Hospital	1
Person conveyed from Nursing Home to another Nursing Home	1
Breaking and entering investigated	24
Complaints investigated	691
Doors and windows found open and secured	111
Duty calls made by patrolmen from police boxes	45,205
Larceny reports $50 and over investigated	14
Larceny reports under $50 investigated	33
Licenses issued:	
Bicycle licenses	135
Pistol permits	120
Permits to perform necessary work on the Lord's Day	11
Lights in vacant buildings investigated	26
Manhole covers reported loose	5
Messages delivered for other Police Departments, etc.	142

Motor Vehicle Moving Violations:	
Reported to Registrar of Motor Vehicles	155
Warnings issued	98
Parking violations:	
Failure to report on violation notice—Court Summons issued	70
Motor vehicles tagged	3,649
Notice of violation of parking rules	1,774
Persons reported missing and located	35
Residences temporarily closed and special attention given	407
Sale of transfer of motor vehicle notices filed	335
Sale of second-hand motor vehicle notices filed	157
Street lamps reported out	116
Street and sidewalk defects reported	18
Sunken trenches reported	4
Trees reported down	5
Water leaks reported	16
Windows reported broken and cases investigated	58
Wires reported defective	9

DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

The equipment of this department is regularly inspected and tested and no effort is spared to have it ready for instant use at all times.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommend that the Town purchase a motor vehicle to replace a 1954 Chevrolet sedan which is now in use and one new motorcycle to replace a 1949 motorcycle now in use.

APPRECIATION

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, to the members of my department, to the officers and members of the Auxiliary Police, to the traffic Policewomen, to all Town departments, and to all others who have co-operated with me during the year.

Dog Officer

JOHN A. BOSTON, *Dog Officer*

I herewith submit my annual report covering the year ending December 31, 1955.

Six hundred and forty-two dogs were licensed in the town from April 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955 — a nine month period.

Seventy-seven dead animals were removed from the streets of the town — mostly cats — supposedly killed by cars.

Five hundred and forty-three complaints or requests for assistance were made, all of which were acted upon and in most cases settled to the mutual satisfaction of all concerned.

Once again I wish to express my appreciation to all departments and personnel for their help and cooperation.

Fire Department

WALTER M. CHAMPION, JR., *Chief*

PERSONNEL

On September 23rd, 1955, Fire Chief Charles H. Lampard retired, and the occasion was marked by a testimonal dinner held at the High School Cafeteria. Mr. Lampard's retirement climaxed 38 years as a member of this department, of which he served for 16 years as a faithful and efficient Chief.

Deputy Fire Chief Walter M. Champion, Jr., who headed the Civil Service list was appointed Chief on September 23rd, 1955, by the Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Edmund J. Pickard, Jr., was appointed to the Fire Department on November 19th, 1955.

At present we are lacking in manpower and I feel that steps should be taken to remedy this condition. Our modern fire apparatus is useless unless there is sufficient men to operate it. We are far below the requirements recommended by the New England Insurance Rating Bureau's report for this town.

BUILDINGS

It is gratifying to report that during the year a special committee was appointed by the Town to study the need of a new Central Fire Station. The committee has spent considerable time and effort to make a thorough study of the present Central Fire Station which was built in 1891.

From these studies it becomes very clear that the most economical and satisfactory solution to this problem is the construction of a new Central Fire Station in a more centralized location.

APPARATUS

During the spring of 1955 we have replaced a 1932, 1000 gallon pumper and a 1935, 650-gallon pumper with two new ultra-modern 750-gallon pumpers. These new pumpers were manufactured by the Maxim Motor Company. One is stationed at the Central Fire Station and the other is at the Phillips Beach Engine House.

Our ladder truck is over 10 years old. Although its general condition is good it will be subjected to continued mechanical upkeep.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

I urge all persons discovering fires in buildings to sound the nearest fire alarm box. This is much more accurate than using the telephone. Stay at the box and direct the apparatus to the fire. If a telephone must be used, DIAL LYnn 2-0082 or Dial Operator and give her the location of the fire as well as your name and address. PLEASE BE CALM AND AVOID CONFUSION.

FIRE PREVENTION

During the year 530 calls were answered by this department. In spite of the increase number of calls we enjoyed a low fire loss.

Lectures have been given in the past year in the Public Schools and Parochial

Schools in connection with "Fire Prevention Week". I urge all citizens to make every week fire prevention week.

APPRECIATION

I wish to express my appreciation for the splendid support and cooperation received from the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, the Auxiliary Fire Department and all assistance which has been given me by other departments. I especially wish to thank the personnel of my own department for their loyalty shown me.

Inspector of Wires

FRED D. SARGENT, *Inspector*

I herewith submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1955. This report covers the period from January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955.

Month	Permits Issued	Fees Collected
January	37	$ 68.00
February	34	41.50
March	43	56.00
April	28	37.75
May	47	48.25
June	48	61.25
July	32	41.50
August	49	60.75
September	36	43.25
October	45	63.50
November	47	76.25
December	32	40.00
Total	478	$638.00

Frequent inspections are made of electrical installations in new buildings and of changes made in old work. Work performed is in accordance with the requirements of the Massachusetts State Code.

Sealer of Weights and Measures

GEORGE A. HOLT, SR., *Prov. Sealer*

Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
50	286	4	2

TRIAL WEIGHINGS

Tested	Correct	Under	Over
751	706	4	41

There were 850 Inspections and 148 Tests made.

This Department extends its gratitude and thanks for the cooperation given by C. Walter Burrill who retired October 1, 1955 after some 40 years as Sealer who helped me in my duties as Sealer.

Board of Park Commissioners

ROLAND C. BOOMA, *Chairman*
FREDERICK C. BURK
LEWIS H. BERRY, *Secretary*

It is with a feeling of sadness that we attempt to write this final report of the Board of Park Commissioners, for after a span of sixty years and the unselfish efforts of great townspeople, who have served as Park Commissioners, we now relinquish our positions to the streamlining of modern government. We hope that the Town has not been in error and that the parks and recreational facilities will not suffer.

A brief review of the sixty years include the establishment of Blaney Beach in 1896, the elimination of the fishing shacks and the erection of the present Fish-house. Those were stormy days for the commissioners, who were very busy settling claims and getting the buildings built. Records show that Horace W. Blanchard was hired as superintendent of the Blaney Beach reservation.

In 1901, the Trustees of the Swampscott Land Trust offered the land now known as the Monument Parkway, which subesquently was accepted by action of the Town Meeting and later laid out by no less than the foremost landscape firm of Olmstead Brothers.

In 1905, what is known as Abbott Park, an area of two and one-half acres, was acquired and became the baseball field and used in winter for ice skating, as is done today.

In 1912, the Town Meeting voted to purchase "Phillips Swamp", an area of fifteen and one-half acres for $7,500.00. It was interesting to note that an excerpt taken from the report of that year "the general elevation of the playground area is 11.5 feet and that the ordinary rise and fall of the tide is substantially 10 feet, so that the surface of this swamp is from one to two feet higher than the ordinary stage of the tide. High tide, however, rises as high as 12 feet, and at such times, were there a clear way for the sea to come up in, a large portion of this swamp would be flooded with the sea".

The years 1916, '17, '18, and with the return of service men, show the development of Jackson Park by planting evergreens on the summit and slopes and today these trees which have survived fires and vandalism, add to the recreational and esthetic value of the park. Football was changed from Abbott Park to Jackson and records say, "On Thanksgiving day, upwards to 7,000 people were accommodated on the grounds". A few years later a toboggan chute was constructed from the summit to the playing field and was enjoyed for many years before the problem of maintenance and accidents forced its removal. With the coming of the W.P.A., walls were built and two new tennis courts, as well as the recreation lodge and fireplaces were put into operation.

In 1936, the Phillips Park stadium was opened and the gradual development of that park followed until we now have the entire area filled, loamed, and seeded, as well as a beautiful field house, a varsity baseball field, two practice fields, hard surface basketball courts, tennis courts, and a small tots' play area.

In 1939, the Tree Warden and Moth departments consolidated with the Park Department and the new position of superintendent of parks was established, to which Frederick C. Burk was appointed.

With the acquisition of the Administration building, this department took over the job of landscaping the grounds. A great deal of help was given by the Garden Clubs and the many fine gifts from citizens of memorial trees.

Three major hurricanes, new developments, and the Dutch Elm disease have kept the shade tree men alert.

Fisherman's Beach, although it has not grown in area, has grown in population, presenting more problems of administration, and as of two years, we now have charge of cleaning the beach.

A new excellent hockey rink and rink house was built at Jackson Park and this past season saw the dedication of "Little League" baseball field, equipped with cement block dug-outs, a flag pole, and entirely enclosed with chain link fence.

We wish to acknowledge the many fine men that helped in the development of our park system. In our past we find James T. Lyons, Horace W. Blanchard, Frank Pridaux, Frank Savino, Dr. Nathaniel Martin, Perley Foss, and Stuart Ellis. Our present staff consists of Frank Buonanduci, Frank Savino, Donato Dandrea Sr., and Jr., Clyde Emery, Albert Benedetto, Vincent Easterbrooks, Arthur Lees, Herbert Dennehy, Harold Jankas, and Edward Patterson, Jr. To those who have gone along and we have not mentioned, we say "thanks". We list the Park Commissioners during the sixty year span and respectfully submit the final report of the Swampscott Board of Park Commissioners.

PARK COMMISSIONERS OF SWAMPSCOTT

George H. Jackson	1894-1898	Everit B. Terhume	1909-1911
Benjamin Potter	1895-1898	Alfred F. Frazier	1912-1917
Robert Wardwell	1895-1897	Stuart P. Ellis	1914-1934
Edward H. Kitfield	1898-1902	James T. Lyons	1916-1926
Frank L. Earl	1899-1900	Archibald Miller	1918-1932
H. Cushing Bulfinch	1899-1901	Edgar W. Marven	1926-1927
John M. Grosvenor, Jr.	1901-1902	Everett P. Mudge	1927-1930
Jerome Paul Jackson	1902-1905	John Homan	1930-1948
John J. Blaney	1903-1908	Leonard F. Burdett	1933-1937
Fred C. Marsh	1903-1906	Ralph I. Lindsey	1935-1949
Elias G. Hodgkins	1906-1907	Phillip Stafford	1935-1938
Clarence B. Humphrey	1907-1909	Frederick C. Burk	1937-1956
Robert Leslie	1908-1913	Roland C. Booma	1949-1956
Arthur T. Tapper	1910-1915	Lewis H. Berry	1950-1956

Contributory Retirement System

JOHN G. MCLEARN, *Chairman*
HAROLD R. AUSTIN
I. MURRAY ADAMS, *Secretary*

Assets now total $280,000.00 an increase of $30,000.00 over the previous year. $37,093.35 was paid for pensions in 1955 compared with $33,733.66 the previous year. Death benefits to widows whose husbands died due to injuries incurred in line of duty approximates $5,000.00.

There are 162 active members, no change from the previous year; pensioners have increased to 27 from 25 in 1954.

On file in this office is a financial statement which may be examined by members.

Board of Public Welfare

NORBERT A. ULMAN, *Chairman*
PAUL C. CURTIS
DONALD REDFERN
WALTER L. RANGER, *Agent*

During the year 1955, our case load on Old Age Assistance showed a marked decrease while the other three categories of assistance showed little change in 1955. Our total expenses for assistance, however, increased from $170,790.18 in 1954 to a new high of $175,649.41 in 1955, an increase of $4,859.23. This increase was caused by the steadily climbing cost of medical care which showed an increase of $15,500.69 over the preceding year. We believe the citizens of Swampscott will be interested in the following breakdown of our medical expense during the past two years, all of which were in accordance with the rules, regulations, and fee schedules established by the State Department of Public Welfare.

	1954	1955
Hospitals	$ 6,543.49	$11,967.99
Physicians	5,180.50	5,894.00
Nursing Homes	15,531.91	21,541.52
Drugs	5,706.77	7,758.57
Dental Care	738.00	1,171.60
Out-Patient Care	198.25	192.25
Visiting Nurse	1,010.25	1,270.54
Eye Care	476.55	728.00
Miscellaneous	1,218.96	1,580.90
Totals	$36,604.68	$52,105.37

During the past year, we have secured employment in fifteen instances for persons being aided temporarily for General Relief.

We wish to express our appreciation of the Swampscott Visiting Nurse Association who made a total of 692 visits during 1955 to recipients of all categories of assistance and to Chief of Police, Francis P. Wall, and the members of his department for their prompt and considerate service in moving recipients to and from hospitals and nursing homes.

CASES AIDED IN 1955

	Cases	Persons
General Relief	35	77
Old Age Assistance	212	212
Aid to Dependent Children	10	31
Disability Assistance	11	11

The following is a summary of the financial operations of this department for the year 1955:

GENERAL RELIEF

EXPENDITURES		
Salaries and Wages	$ 3,768.45	
Relief by Town	10,034.71	$13,803.16
REIMBURSEMENTS		
State Department	1,851.65*	
Cities and Towns	1,706.68*	
Individuals	15.00*	3,573.33
Net Cost to Town		$10,229.83

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

EXPENDITURES			
For Assistance:			
Town Funds	$85,000.00		
Federal Funds	56,312.58	$141,312.58	
For Administration:			
Town Funds	5,737.89		
Federal Funds	7,083.22	12,821.11	$154,133.69
REIMBURSEMENTS			
For Assistance:			
State Department	58,557.39*		
Federal Government	56,631.78		
Cities and Towns	2,610.46*		
Individuals	518.32*	118,317.95	
For Administration:			
Federal Government		6,139.02	124,456.97
Net Cost to Town			$29,676.72

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

EXPENDITURES			
For Assistance:			
Town Funds	$3,000.00		
Federal Funds	6,178.35		$9,178.35
REIMBURSEMENTS			
For Assistance:			
State Department	3,304.72*		
Federal Government	4,304.08	$7,608.80	
For Administration:			
Federal Government		904.46	8,513.26
Net Cost to Town			665.09

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

EXPENDITURES			
For Assistance:			
Town Funds	$8,000.00		
Federal Funds	7,123.77	$15,123.77	
For Administration:			
Federal Funds		866.59	$15,990.36
REIMBURSEMENTS			
For Assistance:			
State Department	8,101.21*		
Federal Government	3,385.23	11,486.44	
For Administration:			
State Department	315.65*		
Federal Government	631.31	946.96	12,433.40
Net Cost to Town			3,556.96

*Not available for use by this department.

FEDERAL FUNDS ON HAND, DECEMBER 31, 1955

	For Assistance	For Administration
Old Age Assistance	$10,356.17	$1,487.13
Aid to Dependent Children	4,716.58	2,025.28
Disability Assistance	1,043.63	853.67

Housing Authority

THOMAS W. DUNCAN, *Chairman*

JOHN A. MASSEY — GERALD H. PASHBY

DAVID F. DOHERTY — EUGENE S. MOREAU

AUSTIN D. MOSCO, *Director-Secretary*

It is with pride and pleasure that we submit our annual report for the year ending 1955, and we hope that it will be of interest to the public in general and also to those interested in public housing.

The Swampscott Housing Authority is a separate corportation from the town; four members are elected at the Annual Town Election with exception of one member who is appointed by the Commonwealth for a five-year term. The four members are elected for a five-year term with staggered expiration dates.

Officers are elected annually and consist of a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. All checks drawn against the Authority must be signed by the Chairman or Vice Chairman *and* the Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer.

In September the annual re-examination of family income was completed. Incomes and family compositions were verified and rents were adjusted in accordance with our management program procedures.

The Swampscott Project consists of 9 multiple buildings, 4 apartments in each building for a total of 36 apartments. There are 20—4 room apartments, each having 2 bed-rooms. There are 16—5 room apartments, each having three bed-rooms. There are 36 individual cellars and heating units and 34 open air parking spaces. Each apartment is equipped with an electric range and refrigerator. The tenant supplies its own fuel and electricity. The Authority furnishes the servicing of the oil burner units and water.

Preference is given to honorably discharged veterans of World War II and the Korean War in the low income group with children. Secondary preference is given to needy veterans of other wars. However, three additional categories have been added as follows:

1. single veteran 50 years old or over and widow of a veteran
2. elderly person or persons over 65 years old
3. non-veterans of the low income group

Rents and Income Limits in relationship to the tenant's net family income.

Admission Limits:

a. families with 1 or less minor dependent up to	$3650.00
b. families with 2 minor dependents up to	$3775.00
c. families with 3 minor dependents up to	$3900.00

Continued Occupancy Limits:

a. families with 1 or less minor dependent	$3900.00
b. families with 2 minor dependents	$4025.00
c. families with 3 minor dependents	$4150.00

Rent Schedule relating to family income:

a. 18% for families with 1 or less minor dependent
b. 16% for families with 2 minor dependents
*c. 14% for families with 3 minor dependents

*$100.00 deduction from family income for each minor dependent child in excess of three in number.

Minimum monthly rents:

a. families with 1 or less minor dependent	$30.00
b. families with 2 minor dependents	$26.50
c. families with 3 minor dependents	$23.50

During the year the Authority sold a parcel of land abutting the Cities Service Gas Station on Essex Street to John Connolly et al. The total area sold was 162 square feet of land. The amount received from leasing, $900.00, and sale, $252.00, amount to $1152.00. This land was in excess of and no longer required for the purpose for which it was acquired.

The total area of the project is 79,228 square feet. The total area taken up by buildings on said property is 16,055 square feet.

We regret that we were unable to install metal combination storm and screen windows as stated in our 1954 report. We have corresponded with the State Housing Board on this subject for a year and a half, and we have yet to receive a definite answer on this matter. As a secondary choice we have requested permission to install a conventional wooden storm window. It is hoped that we have better results with the latter request.

The Contract to clean and service the 36 heating units at the Project was awarded to the only bidder, Geo. E. Warren Heating Corp., Lynn, Massachusetts.

We were quite fortunate that the total damages resulting from flood rains of August amounted to $93.00. All damages were confined to drying out the burner motors and pumping out cellars. There is a slight possibility that we may be reimbursed by the Commonwealth for the said damages.

Our subsidy from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the year 1955 amounted to $4153.12, which is considerably less than the $10,150.00 that could be obtained for debt requirements.

The average monthly rental for Project amounted to $42.75 for the year. In no case can the monthly rental fall below $34.50, minimum requirements established by the State Housing Board, in order for the Authority to meet its obligations.

A total of $1839.00 was paid to the Town of Swampscott during the year, $1296.00 representing payment in lieu of taxes and $543.40 for water bills.

During the year the sum of $10,000 was deposited in savings accounts as follows: $5,000 in the Beverly Savings Bank @ 3% interest, $5,000 in the Salem 5¢ Savings Bank @ 3% interest. These funds represent the greater portion of our maximum operating reserve accruals.

With the ending of rent control in December 31, 1955, we can foresee an increase in the number of applications.

The following insurance policies are carried by the Authority for its protection: Fire, Public Liability, Moneys and Bond, Workmens Compensation, Non-ownership Auto and Fire and Theft on Office Furniture.

Periodic inspections of grounds and apartments are made by the Authority or its employees to see that the lease requirements are complied with.

At this time we wish to thank the town departments and the staff of the State Housing Board for their cooperation and assistance during the past year.

We conclude with the sincerest hope that we have assisted those veterans in need.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1955

ASSETS

Administration Fund			$ 14,261.25
Petty Cash			20.00
Tenants Accounts Receivable			139.50
Debt Service Fund		11,307.50	
Investment Debt. Ser. Trust Fund		5,000.00	
Investment Administration Fund		10,000.00	
State Treasurer Account		252.00	
Debt Service Trust Fund		704.26	27,263.76
Development Costs	406,000.00		
Less: Dev. Costs Liquidation	28,000.00		378,000.00
Total Assets			$419,684.51

LIABILITIES

Accrued Insurance			$ 3,374.00
Matured Interest and Principal			11,307.50
Bonds Authorized	406,000.00		
Less: Bonds Retired	28,000.00		378,000.00
Debt Service Reserve		6,120.85	
Unam. Bond Premium		5,704.26	
Res. from Sale of Property		252.00	
Operating Reserve		10,835.83	
Earned Surplus		4,090.07	27,003.01
Total Liabilities			$419,684.51
National Shawmut Bank of Boston—U. S. Treasury Bonds			
Rate 2½% Maturity 12/15/58			$ 1,000.00
Rate 2½% Maturity 8/15/63			4,000.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank Savings Account 3%			5,000.00
Beverly Savings Bank Savings Account 3%			5,000.00

Cemetery Department

ARTHUR E. HARDY, *Superintendent*

The total interments for the year 1955 were 108. All receipts for funerals, liners, foundations, and sale of lots were paid to Town Treasurer.

The World War II lot has been regraded, seeded, and a boulder has been placed there. A 40 foot iron flag pole has been placed in the center of the lot. This flag pole and cement settee was donated by Joseph Marino of Essex Street.

The new section started in 1955 will be completed early this year. All surplus fill from the new section was dumped in the rear of the cemetery. Also, all surplus fill from the Essex Street project was dumped along Essex Street from Capen Road toward Salem, which someday will be a part of the Cemetery.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Theodore Cooke of the Lynn Sand & Stone Co. for his gift of all pea stone used by the Cemetery Department.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Joseph Marino on behalf of the Town for his donation of the flag pole.

My sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, the men of my Department, and all other Departments and their Personnel who have co-operated with me during the past year.

The Department of Veterans' Services

NEWTON S. COURTNEY, *Director*

Office Hours: 0900 until noon, Monday through Friday

HISTORY OF SWAMPSCOTT'S VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS

Just prior to World War I, Swampscott was fast losing its first and only veterans' organization through the ravages of Old Father Time. Membership in the General James L. Bates Post 118, Grand Army of the Republic which had been chartered 24 January 1870, was reduced to a mere handful of men. The history of this Post was printed in last year's Town Report.

Upon the discharge of many World War I veterans, the Leon E. Abbott Post #57, The American Legion was chartered on 20 June 1919 with the following names appearing on the application:

Mortimer H. Doane
Charles V. Sidell
Walter R. Trafton
William R. Curtis
Leon L. Ricker
Henry W. Wagenfield
Norman E. LeGallee
Henry E. Cahoon
James S. Stewart
Clarence F. Shaw
A. S. Brown
Willoughby H. Stuart
Frank W. Blaney
Milton E .Morrill
John T. Lee
Willard P. Jackson
James A. Hegarty
Raymond C. Till
George H. Young
Alfred B. Jones
Harold C. Rankin
T. Clinton Johnson
Gilbert Hodges
Vitoantonio Yasi

The Post was named in honor of Leon E. Abbott who was killed in action in a town near Chateau Thierry in July 1918 while serving as a member of the 101st Signal Battalion, 26th Division. (It was the sad duty of your Director to assist in the burial of this fine young man, in a temporary grave in the village cemetery of Bezu-le-Guerry.) He was the first Swampscott man to be killed in action in World War I.

On the 18th of August 1924 Swampscott's third Veterans' Organization was chartered when Joseph L. Stevens Post #1240, Veterans of Foreign Wars received its charter.

The application for the charter included the following names:

Coleman M. Woods
Samuel Hooper
Joseph Martin
Michael Arribea
William M. Quinn
George A. Philcrantz
Alfonse Chiancone
John A. Boston
Charles R. Connell
Harold O. Durgin
Angus McRae
John E. Mulligan
Leon D. Monty
Samuel B. Kehoe
James T. Fitzpatrick
Victor Girordin
John P. Cavenaugh
Anthony Cangi
Raymond Doane
Leo P. Caproni
Gardner S. Granger
Herbert W. Stewart
Clifford Dedrick
Harold A. Durkee
Edward F. Burke
Fred L. Mower

The Post was named in memory of Chief Commissary Steward Joseph L. Stevens, U. S. Naval Reserve, who died on 28 March 1921.

The fourth veterans' organization in the Town's history came into being on 1 February 1952 when the Swampscott-Marblehead Post 656 of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States was issued a charter. The names appearing on the charter applications are:

Edwain L. Goldberg
Harris L. Goldman
Theodore Isaacson
Arnold S. Dane
Hyman Tobin
David Finegold
Harold Swartz
Bertram J. Jacobs
L. Herbert Kline
Moses Werman
Sidney Green
Sol Kolodny
Simme Pickman
Richard L. Cubell
Samuel Stahl
Dr. Lester H. Tobin
Philip D. Epstein
Morton Wilcon
Robert Goldman
Moses Shectman
Charles Menovich
Jack Swartz
Emanuel Morningstar
Pat Taylor

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Cash Assistance (includes food, rent and fuel)	1	6	8	2
Medical Assistance (includes doctors, hospital and medicine)	1	1	1	1

40 individuals were aided in the above listed cases.

VETERANS' SERVICES

	Spanish War	World War I	World War II	Korean Conflict
Discharges and other official papers photostated	0	12	16	520
Non-Service pension applications filed with V.A.	0	14	6	0
Service connected claims filed with V.A.	0	2	9	51
Hospitalization secured at V.A. or Quigley Hospital	0	2	2	1
Educational and G.I. Loans processed	0	0	4	19
Claims for increased compensation filed with V.A.	0	4	6	1
Widows assisted in filing pension claims with V.A.	0	5	0	0
Applications for headstones filed with Dept. of the Army	0	2	2	0
State bonus forms processed	0	0	0	321
Requests to members of Congress for assistance to veterans on service or V.A. matters	0	4	8	6

The following listed Swampscott veterans passed away during 1955.

"May God make his face shine upon them and grant them Peace."

WORLD WAR I

Captain	George Miles Moore	1 January 1955
PFC	George Vivian Doane	31 July
Corporal	Arthur Linwood Blackey	20 August
Corporal	Albert Enholm	16 August
Bugler	Clarence Olmstead McArthur	17 September

WORLD WAR II

William H. Gowell, Jr. . . . . 23 October

While every effort has been made to secure accuracy, if any errors are noted please notify this office.

WORLD WAR I and II

Donato Ronzano . . . . . 15 February

In Memoriam

HAROLD F. CARLSON

Member of Finance Committee

1943-1951

Died November 16, 1955

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ALBERT ENHOLM

Superintendent Sewer Department

1923-1955

Died August 16, 1955

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LORING GRIMES, M.D.

Board of Health

1908-1955

Died June 19, 1955

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DANIEL RONZANO

Highway Department

1934-1944

Died February 14, 1955

Jury List

In accordance with Section 9 of Chapter 234 of the General Laws, the following Jury List is published in the Annual Town Report:

Name	Residence	Occupation
Addison, Charles G.	54 Sargent Road	Manufacturer
Allen, Russel G.	140 Beach Bluff Avenue	Godfrey-Cabot, Inc.
Andrews, Herbert W.	75 Aspen Road	Machinist
Austin, Harold R.	150 Redington Street	Bank Clerk
Avey, Clarence W.	56 Humphrey Street	Machinist
Bailey, Robert E., Jr.	32 Greenwood Terrace	United Shoe
Bailey, Robert W.	141 Paradise Road	Accountant
Bennett, Ralph O.	4 King Street	Clerk
Brown, Walter D.	4 Charlotte Road	Salesman
Carver, Paul F.	24 Estabrook Road	Merchant
Chisholm, Theodore S.	7 Rock Avenue	Foreman
Clark, Frederic P.	151 Phillips Avenue	Clark & Friend
Connolly, William A.	30 Beach Avenue	Ins. Agent
Cushman, Harold B.	53 Lincoln Circle	Bakery Manager
Davis, J. Price	68 Middlesex Avenue	G. E.
Doughty, Robert S.	41 Roy Street	Salesman
Downey, James	87 Melvin Avenue	Hoague-Sprague
Brislane, John P.	17 Banks Road	Office Manager
Drucas, Charles	64 Walnut Road	H. P. Hood
Dwyer, Charles W.	172 Aspen Road	Buyer
Eastman, William A.	32 Middlesex Avenue	Salesman
Farren, Robert N.	124 Greenwood Avenue	Advertising
Fellows, Frank G.	73 Plymouth Avenue	Market
Fuller, Gordon F.	14 Ocean View Road	Estimator
Hapgood, Franklin E.	11 Bond Street	News Agent
Harpin, Raoul E.	29 Norfolk Avenue	Item
Harris, William W.	33 Aspen Road	Writer
Hunkins, Richard A.	226 Salem Street	Asst. Manager
Hunt, Robert F.	281 Atlantic Avenue	Buyer
Ingalls, Michael M.	1 Puritan Lane	Salesman
Ingram, Stephen R.	18 Roy Street	Leather
Johnson, Harry E.	358 Essex Street	Leather Worker
Johnson, Iver	26 Nichols Street	G. E.
Koban, Vassell A.	13 Phillips Circle	Designer
Lilly, John M.	40 Bellevue Road	Y.M.C.A.
Loring, Maynard N.	21 Bay View Drive	Clerk
Loveday, Edward D.	40 Lewis Road	Jr. Executive
McDermott, Bernard F.	38 Pleasant Street	Accountant
McManus, Julia I.	101 Melvin Avenue	Home
Manning, Richard F.	8 Stearns Street	Hardware
Merritt, Charles	19 Banks Terrace	Tel. Co.
Milmore, Norville L.	34 Bellevue Road	Vice Pres.
Minihane, Donald	64 Franklin Avenue	Mec. Engineer
O'Neill, Robert F.	30 Stanwood Road	Salesman
Perron, Andre	57 Plymouth Avenue	United Shoe
Pierce, Ralph	51 Lexington Circle	Sales Rep.
Rogers, Norman	6 Brown Road	Buyer
Sargent, Walter E.	79 Greenwood Avenue	Salesman
Shaw, Minot M.	44 Winshaw Road	Manager
Stahl, Louis E.	17 Allen Road	Chemist
Stairs, Wilbur C.	21 Lodge Road	G. E.
Stevens, John H.	100 Stetson Avenue	Booma-Breed
Stowell, Frank S.	335 Forest Avenue	Bookkeeper
Turner, Frederick J.	91 Farragut Road	Mech. Engineer
Turner, George A.	97 Phillips Avenue	Coca-Cola
Warfield, Earl B.	17 Arbutus Road	Dealer
Way, John S.	121 Beach Bluff Avenue	Salesman
Whidden, Donald S.	90 Puritan Lane	Merchant

School Department

George A. Chadwell, *Chairman*	Term Expires 1957	96 Stetson Avenue
Lillian I. White	Term Expires 1957	8 Phillips Avenue
Walter H. Forbes, Jr.	Term Expires 1956	28 Greenwood Terrace
William H. Rothwell, 2nd	Term Expires 1958	Little's Point
Theodore C. Sargent	Term Expires 1956	9 Clarke Road

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 1955

Regular meeting, second Thursday of each month.

Superintendent of Schools
Robert D. Forrest
57 Rockland Street LYnn 8-9015

Secretary of School Committee
William H. Rothwell, 2nd
Little's Point LYnn 5-6272

Secretary
Gertrude Donlon
37 Salem Street LYnn 2-6643

The office of the Superintendent of Schools is open on school days from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1956

Winter term begins	Tuesday, January 3
Winter term closes	Friday, February 17
Spring term begins	Monday, February 27
Spring term closes	Friday, April 13
Summer term begins	Monday, April 23
Fall term begins	Wednesday, September 5

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The year 1955 has again been a year of great concern to your School Committee. The school enrollment for this year as of September 30 was 2447 as against October 1, 1954 of 2320, an increase of 127. Crowded conditions at the Hadley School have forced the Committee to platoon the kindergarten. The report of the High School Building Committee published in May once again stressed the need of a Senior High School to complete our building requirements. The Town Meeting members voted favorably for a Senior High School on June 27, only to have their vote reversed on a referendum vote in July.

A Special Town meeting was called by the School Committee to be held on December 12. We felt that with platoons facing us at the secondary level in September, 1956, we must continue to bring to the townspeople our building needs in order to obtain the essential classroom space. Meetings were held by the School Committee and interested citizens who had formed committees to study school needs. Through the combined efforts of the citizens and the School Committee a joint article was submitted in the Warrant calling for a campus type school to be built on the Whitney Estate on Forest Avenue. The Town Meeting, by a vote of

175 to 5 favored this article, and after five days the act became effective. A Committee has been appointed by the Moderator and given authority to construct a High School on this site.

Predicted enrollment increases for the years prior to the opening of our High School will present a challenge to the Superintendent of Schools and the staff. Every effort will be made by them to accommodate all students with the least inconvenience to insure maximum educational efficiency.

The Superintendent's report gives many details about the activities of your School Department. We urge all citizens to read it.

George A. Chadwell, *Chairman*
Lillian I. White
Walter H. Forbes, Jr.
William H. Rothwell, II
Theodore C. Sargent

To the Swampscott School Committee,

Mrs. White and Gentlemen:

I submit herewith the annual report of the Superintendent of Schools for 1955.

New High School Approved

At a special Town Meeting on December 12, 1955, the members gave approval to an article creating a high school building committee and authorizing the construction of a new high school. Thus ended a year of concerted activity by large numbers of Swampscott citizens interested in finding an acceptable solution to the housing problems caused by our rapidly increasing enrollments.

In May, reports were released by the High School Building Committee and the Hadley School Building Committee. It was the recommendation of the High School Committee that a new high school be erected on Salem Street. This proposal, although winning approval in the Town Meeting in June, was defeated by referendum in July.

During the fall the School Committee, the Citizens' Committee for the Public Schools, and the Committee for Adequate School Facilities worked both independently and jointly in an effort to resolve the conflicting views regarding the building program. The two citizens groups conceived a proposal whereby a new campus type high school would be built on Forest Avenue on what is known as the Whitney Estate. The estimated cost of construction was $1,270,625. The School Committee, which had originally planned to submit a prospoal similar to that which was defeated in July, gave its endorsement to this new proposal. The article which was approved at the special Town Meeting was sponsored by the three groups.

Plant Improvements

The Hadley School Building Committee which was appointed in July is authorized to expend the sum of $169,024 for the renovation of the Hadley School. It probably will not be possible to complete this project until the new high school is ready for occupancy, but it is expected that a number of improvements will be made in the summer of 1956.

The Building Committee did provide for the installation of new toilet facilities

in the basement this fall. The condemnation of the existing equipment in August by the plumbing inspector made immediate replacement imperative. Therefore, the committee proceeded to award contracts for the remodeling of these basement toilets and the installation of new fixtures. This job should be completed shortly after the end of 1955.

This year saw substantial completion of the renovation of the Machon School which was begun in 1952. Exterior and interior painting and the installation of new asphalt tile flooring have created a building which is both attractive and functional.

Because of the over-crowding at the high school, some projects were made necessary in order to accommodate the increased pupil load. Fluorescent light fixtures were installed in the cafeteria to provide the improved lighting needed since this room is now used as a study hall. A basement room was converted into a classroom for mechanical drawing. The homemaking unit was reduced from two rooms to one, thereby making another room available for other classes.

The old fire alarm system in the Hadley School was considered to be unreliable and unsafe. It was completely replaced by a new modern system.

New Ungraded Class

In 1954 the state legislature mandated the establishment of special ungraded classes for those pupils who are mentally retarded. This class, begun in September, 1955, includes pupils from all parts of the town, and is located in the Stanley School. The room has entirely new equipment and furniture and the teacher, Miss Chaletzky, has been especially trained for this type of work. Expenses for this class are partially reimbursed by the state.

The program includes, besides the usual academic work in the fundamental subjects, arts and crafts, and manual training. The class is kept small in number so that each pupil may receive more individual attention than in the regular classroom.

Salary Schedule Revised

Salaries for teachers have been rising throughout Massachusetts and the Nation. The Swampscott schedule with a salary for beginning teachers of $2700 was no longer adequate to attract and retain good teachers. Nor, more importantly, was it sufficient compensation for the contribution made by teachers to the welfare of our community.

Realizing the situation and desiring to insure the continued high level of teaching competency in Swampscott, the School Committee in December adopted a revision of the current salary schedule that provides for a minimum salary for teachers with a Bachelor's degree of $3100. Annual increments of $200 enable a teacher to reach a salary level of $5100 aften ten years.

Teachers with a Master's Degree have a minimum salary of $3400 and a maximum after ten years of $5400. The schedule for those with a Doctoral degree is $400 higher.

The revised schedule becomes effective after the Town Meeting, but will be retroactive to January 1, 1956.

Crowded Conditions Intensify

The total pupil enrollment on October 1, 1955 was 2447. This represented an increase of 127 over the total one year previously. The additional number of pupils was felt most keenly in the High School where an extra 92 pupils brought the enrollment to 681.

Several emergency measures have been made necessary by these enrollments which exceed our operating capacity. In the Hadley School the kindergarten is on double platoons. It has also been necessary to curtail cafeteria service. Those pupils below the fifth grade no longer may avail themselves of the hot lunches.

In the Machon School the auditorium continues to house the kindergarten and the remedial room has been taken over as a regular classroom. Two kindergartens share the same room in the Clarke School. The remedial room continues to serve as a regular classroom.

One-way traffic in the corridors of the High School is an innovation started this year to alleviate the congestion. The cafeteria and the assembly hall are used for classes and study halls. Other conversions have been noted elsewhere in this report.

Study Committees Report

Two faculty committees submitted reports in 1955. A group making a study of science teaching in the elementary grades selected a textbook to be introduced gradually into the elementary classrooms. All sixth grades were supplied with the books this year.

A committee consisting of all kindergarten teachers prepared a teaching guide for kindergarten classes. This outline of the objectives and learning activities of the kindergarten program has helped to coordinate our efforts at this level.

In the spring a committee of parents, School Committee members, and teaching personnel was created by vote of the School Committee to study and make recommendations as to whether changes should be made in the schedule of hours. After investigating local achievement records, practices in other schools, and the findings of professional research, the committee concluded that no change should be made in the hours at this time.

Financial Statement for 1955

Expenditures:		
General Control	15,136.23	
Instructional Service	535,040.22	
Operation of Plant	90,077.94	
Maintenance	10,566.27	
Auxiliary Agencies	18,105.57	
Capital Outlay	4,703.46	673,629.69
Special Accounts		14,105.85
Credits to the Department:		
State Refund, General School Fund		45,317
State Refund, Trade and Vocational Schools		1,521
State Aid — Special Services		1,511
Tuition Received		955
General Receipts		604
		49,908

School Committee Member Honored

The Swampscott schools were greatly honored this year when Theodore Sargent was elected President of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees. Mr. Sargent was also appointed a Massachusetts delegate to the White House Conference on Education.

Personnel Changes

During the fall of 1955 the teaching staff included twenty-three teachers who were new to the Swampscott system. Nine of these represented additions to the staff, but the others replaced former members.

Our school sustained a great loss during the year on the deaths of two beloved and respected teachers, Jeanne Lepine, who taught French and Spanish at the High School, and Helen Hudson, who taught kindergarten in the Hadley School. Dr. Loring Grimes, who served many years as a school physician, also passed away during the year.

Mr. John Whitehead in June terminated three years of service as the Superintendent of Schools. He now holds a similar position in Tuckahoe, New York. Teachers lost through resignations include Shirley Sterman, Marion Bennett, Dorothy Henderson, Bronia Sielewicz, Nancy Adams, Ruth Fraster, Elizabeth Henderson, and Shirley Covner.

Marion Newcomb and Helen Warren, both of the Hadley School, and Arthur Cronk of the High School, retired during the summer. These teachers rendered valuable service to the school and community for many years, and their absence will be missed by their associates.

Granted leaves of absence were two teachers, Sophie Boratgis and Helen Nelson, and Lena Wilson, cafeteria assistant.

To the School Committee, to the entire school staff, and to the many Swampscott citizens who have served the schools in various capacities during the year, I take this opportunity to express my personal appreciation for the time and efforts you have given, conscientiously and willingly, to the improvement of education for the youth of Swampscott.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT D. FORREST
Superintendent of Schools

Pupils Enrolled — September 30, 1955

	Freshman	Sophomore	Juniors	Seniors	P.G.	Total
High School	224	178	141	136	2	681

	Class I	Class II	
Junior High School	180	166	346

Grades	Kind.	1	2	3	4	5	6	Sp.	
Clarke	47	53	62	59	50	52	42		365
Hadley	39	45	48	51	59	48	38		328
Machon	25	41	40	48	30	26	36		246
Stanley	55	68	75	62	72	65	67	17	481

High School	681
Junior High	346
Elementary	1420
	2447

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY

HIGH

James H. Dunn, Principal
Robert V. Andersen
Raymond Antell, Jr.
Brooks K. Blossom
Harry Boudakian
Marion P. Burlingame
Bette L. Davis
Walker G. Drogue
Ralph B. Earle
Thomas J. Eickelberger
Irving Fletcher
Enos E. Held
Robert Hayden
Walter R. Henshaw
Philip Jenkin
Antoinette Lambert
Richard J. Lynch
Leon Marden
Nance Marquette
Irene P. McCormack
Eleanor F. McKey
John I. McLaughlin
Flora B. McLearn
Jennie M. McVey
Edna I. Morrison
James Murphy
Mildred J. O'Leary
Charlotte M. Oliver
Richard W. Pavesi
L. Joseph Roy
Lois Roy
Eileen Soper
Richard Stevenson
Katherine W. Trickey
Emma S. White
Marjorie White

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Keith L. Jordan, Principal
Mary G. Boyce
Francis E. Chiary
Beatrice L. Cook
Alice T. Durgin
Elizabeth Gapsinski
Kathleen Gordon
Gertrude L. Hammond
Beatrice M. Hutchinson
George E. Hutchinson
Jeanne F. McGovern
Crandall P. Nodwell
Priscilla M. Schryver
Katherine R. Townsend
Grace E. Young

CLARKE SCHOOL

Madelaine M. Murphy, Principal
Patricia Burke
Marjorie M. Carlson
Marilyn F. Dennett
Joan Dimeno
Joan M. Dymond
Marilyn E. Francis
Catherine T. Garrity
Virginia T. Grimes
Katherine F. Kerans
Gertrude Lowe
L. Francis Mitchell
Ruth Nickerson
Barbara Poole
Alice Pooler
Evelina S. Roney

HADLEY SCHOOL

Keith L. Jordan, Principal
Stanton Baker
Emma Blossom
Maxine Boyd
Melba Collins
Virginia Earle
Ruth K. James
Thelma Hessell
Eva Ladge
Cecelia P. Loring
Anne M. McCarthy
Margaret Nordin
Mary E. Selvage
Georgette Weddendorf

MACHON SCHOOL

Esther K. Heikel, Principal
Hazel V. Chase
Helen F. Gangi
Averill D. Gellerson
Frances Goddard
Mae M. Graham
Evelyn H. Lovejoy
Laura Pringle
Phyllis Smith
Elizabeth W. Wade
Catherine Walsh

STANLEY SCHOOL

Hilda J. Gifford, Principal
Dorothy Bondelevitch
Bernice Chaletzky
Harriet Clark
Natalie Clough
Charlotte N. Conners
Margaret E. Durgin
Grace M. Farrell
Margaret P. Johnston
Jessie C. Martin
Rosalie Muchnikoff
Genevieve Pierre
Dorothy E. Rich
Helen Sharp
Clara Waterman
Carolyn H. White
Barbara L. Young

ALL SCHOOLS

Mary M. Chaisson
Supervisor of Art
Barbara Baker
Art
Mary W. Cooper
Director of Guidance
Donald C. Hammond
Instrumental Music
Stanley Bondelevitch
Director of Physical Education
Mary E. Hanifey
Physical Education
Anne Linscott
Speech
Esther Nazarian
Supervisor of Music
Gloria Strickland
Music
Amy C. Burk, R.N., School Nurse

SECRETARIES

Bessie Heggie, Hadley School
Edith Legro, High School

JANITORS

Elizabeth Kehoe
Daniel J. Myers
Carl B. Goodwin
Ralph E. Gould
Mario Travascio
Wendell Jones
Emery Doane
Henry J. Callahan
Frank Coletti
Kenneth Cort
Richard Corcoran
Michael Pagnotta
Thomas Bailey
Donald R. Peterson
Francis Losano

ASSISTANTS

Elsie Topp
Charlotte McCarthy

LUNCH ROOM

Hilda Boston
Sarah Corcoran
Clementine Emery
Lillian Morse
Rose McNair
Doris Coletti

Public Library

TRUSTEES

George W. Howe, *Chairman*
Nelson J. Darling, Jr.
Ruth M. Barry, *Secretary*

STAFF

Edith N. Snow, *Librarian*
Elizabeth W. Forbes, *Acting Children's Librarian*
Ruth E. Pollard, *Reference Librarian*
Marguerite W. Condon, *Part Time Assistant*
Barbara E. Mansur, *Library Secretary*
Joanne H. Bishop, *General Library Assistant*
Angelo Losano, *Janitor*

The immediate future, with the alluring possibilities of an enlarged and rearranged building, makes it rather difficult to think of the past.

The work of the year has been largely routine, a matter of maintaining the usual services as normally and as long as possible. As this report is written the adult department has just been closed to permit the final renovation of the main room. Patrons responded well to our urging that they take extra numbers of books with the dual purpose of having 'enough to last' while the Library was closed, and of lessening the handling of volumes within the building. Every volume must be moved at least twice; some will have to be moved several times because not all the new stacks can be put up until the basement is remodelled.

The Children's Room has continued — and will do so — with a minimum of interruption. Added help has been needed there at least three afternoons a week. In its new quarters some changes in procedures will be put into practice, and a "reader interest" arrangement will be tried. It is on organization of such projects that the staff will spend some of its time while the adult department is closed.

Because it seems impossible to tell where the stresses will come and to just what extent benefits will accrue from the rearranged building, the Board is asking in 1956 for more help to be paid for by the hour. By another fall re-evaluation should be possible, and a rational determination reached on the number of staff needed, what skills they should have and how they may best be scheduled. A small staff demands a good deal from each member.

Particular mention for devotion to duty in a year which has been easy for no one on the staff, is due to our janitor, Angelo Losano, who has worked long hours and often under most trying circumstances. He has been of inestimable value, in planning as well as in executing the many adjustments which have been necessary.

Gifts of the past year which deserve special mention are: From Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Thayer, a group of seven framed pictures of Swampscott, done by Philip Arneth, Mrs. Thayer's father.

The practice of giving memorial books has also grown, and gifts of one or more have been received as follows:

In memory of Mrs. Charles Lovejoy, from Mrs. Edward Scott O'Keefe

In memory of Gustavus J. Esselen, from Mrs. Esselen

In memory of Ralph Russell, from R. I. Nesmith

In memory of Edward H. Heath, Sr. from Robert and Louis Sherman

In memory of Mrs. Francis Faulkner from Mrs. D. J. Murphy

An autographed copy of his book, "The Horn That Stopped the Band" came from Arthur H. Parsons, Jr., former librarian here.

A six months' subscription to the English Travel Book Club was donated by William W. Harris.

The Library Board is most appreciative of the services of the Building Committee. Under the able chairmanship of Andrew R. Linscott they have carried for nearly two years the responsibility for our needed expansion. They have held numerous meetings, requiring much time and thought to work out the not inconsiderable problems. When it was found additional money would be necessary to meet the lowest bid, they presented it to the Town Meeting.

As we begin a new era of greater usefulness with our enlarged facilities, we again thank these public-spirited citizens.

The objective of the local Civil Defense Organization is to provide a means for utilizing the entire resources of the community to deal with the effects of enemy attack, or with natural disasters which may be, or already are, too great for regular public protective forces to deal with unassisted. The local Civil Defense Director is appointed by the local government as provided by Section 13 of Chapter 639, Acts of 1950, to act as Disaster Coordinator for the various Civil Defense services, (Fire, Police, Medical, Radiac, etc.) which utilize all available resources of the Community. The technical direction of each service rests with the head of that service. The over-all approach to disaster situations and the coordination of each service with the others, is the responsibility of the C.D. Director. It should be noted that when a state of emergency is declared by the Governor of the Commonwealth, the local C.D. Director acquires extensive powers and in the time of disasters he will direct the over-all disaster operations within the municipality.

I have in my previous reports stressed the importance of Civil Defense and surely the floods of this year and the hurricanes of 1954 have shown the important part a Civil Defense organization can play during disasters. Civil Defense has become, and in my opinion will always be, a vital part of the Government of every city and town.

I would like to metion briefly what has developed at the State level during the last part of 1955.

The Legislature voted to build a new State Civil Defense Control Center, which will be one of the best of its kind in the United States. State and Federal funds will build it at an estimated cost of $1,452,000.

An adequate and satisfactory budget for Civil Defense was passed by the Legislature. Now the State Agency can go ahead with plans for staffing and equipping area and sector headquarters. Area 1 has moved from Boston to The Bradley Palmer State Park, Topsfield. Work has been started at this location on a Civil

Defense Training Center and Rescue School. Federal funds will be alloted to Massachusetts for the completion of evacuation plans.

I wish also to mention the appointment of Ralph I. Lindsey by the State Civil Defense Agency to the post of Sector Director of 1F. Mr. Lindsey has been one of my associate directors as well as Evacuation Officer and it was mainly through his efforts that we were able to complete our evacuation plans. As Sector Director he will be in charge of all Civil Defense personnel in the fourteen cities and towns that comprise 1F. It is good to know that we have a man like Ralph Lindsey in this important position in our Civil Defense.

In closing I want to assure the residents of Swampscott that we in Civil Defense will continue to do everything we can to build up our organization to the point where all services stand ready to meet any emergency. However, we can only reach that point if we have the support and interest of all and a firm belief that Civil Defense is everyone's job.

General Information

Swampscott was incorporated as a Town on May 21, 1852.

Situation: About 15 miles northeast of Boston.

Population: 13,070.

Area: 3.05 square miles.

Assessed Valuation: $31,083,800.

Tax Rate: $51.00.

Administration Building: 22 Monument Avenue.

Senators in Congress: Leverett Saltonstall and John F. Kennedy.

State Senator: Charles V. Hogan of Lynn (1st Essex District).

Representative in Congress: William H. Bates of Salem (6th Congressional District).

Representatives in General Court: Thomas M. Newth of Swampscott; John A. Davis, Marblehead; and Ernest W. April of Salem (14th Essex District).

Member of Governor's Council: Arthur A. Thomson of N. Andover (5th District).

Qualifications of Voters: Must be 21 years of age, born in United States or fully naturalized; a resident of Massachusetts one year and Swampscott six months. Registration Monday through Friday, 9-12 A.M. 1-5 P.M. Special sessions held preceding elections.

Where to vote:

Precinct 1 — Machon School on Burpee Road.
Precinct 2 — Clarke School on Norfolk Avenue side adjoining Abbott Park.
Precinct 3 — Old Town Hall on Burrill Street.
Precinct 4 — Hadley School on Redington Street.
Precinct 5 — Essex Oil Filling Station, 638 Humphrey Street.
Precinct 6 — Phillips Beach Fire Engine House, Phillips Avenue.

Tax Bills: Due and payable on or before October 1. Law provides for addition of interest from October 1 on bills unpaid after November 1. Poll and motor excise taxes are payable 30 days and water bills are payable 60 days from date of issue.

For Your Convenience

EMERGENCY NUMBERS		
	AMBULANCE	LYnn 5-1111
	CIVIL DEFENSE	LYnn 8-9622
	FIRE	LYnn 5-4050
	POLICE	LYnn 5-1111

Information on:	Call:	At:
Assessments	Assessors	LYnn 5-1644
Bicycle Licenses	Police	LYnn 5-1111
Bills and Accounts	Town Accountant	LYnn 5-1648
Birth Certificates	Town Clerk	LYnn 5-1646
Building Permits	Building Inspector	LYnn 3-4538
Cemetery	Cemetery Superintendent	LYnn 3-4369
Death Certificates	Town Clerk	LYnn 5-1646
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	LYnn 5-1646
Dogs — Lost and Found	Dog Officer	LYnn 5-8018
Draft Board	Draft Board No. 68	LYnn 8-9144
Elections	Town Clerk	LYnn 5-1646
Engineering	Town Engineer	LYnn 2-1696
Entertainment Licenses	Selectmen	LYnn 5-1645
Fire Permits	Fire Department	LYnn 5-4050
Fishing and Hunting Licenses	Town Clerk	LYnn 5-1646
Garbage Collection	Health Department	LYnn 5-1643
Library	Public Library	LYnn 3-8380
Lights, Street	Selectmen	LYnn 5-1645
Marriage Certificates	Town Clerk	LYnn 5-1646
Milk Inspection	Health Department	LYnn 5-1643
Mortgages, Personal Property	Town Clerk	LYnn 5-1646
Old Age Assistance	Old Age Assistance	LYnn 8-4400
Parks and Playgrounds	Park Department	LYnn 2-2378
Plumbing Permits	Plumbing Inspector	LYnn 5-1643
Resident Listing	Board of Registrars	LYnn 3-1873
Rubbish Collection	Health Department	LYnn 5-1643
Schools	School Department	LYnn 2-2067
Sewers	Sewer Department	LYnn 5-1647
Streets	Highway Department	LYnn 2-3520
Tax Collections	Tax Collector	LYnn 5-1646
Trees	Tree Warden	LYnn 2-2378
Veterans' Benefits	Veterans' Service Department	LYnn 3-4313
Voting, Registration	Board of Registrars	LYnn 3-1873
Water	Water Department	LYnn 5-1647
Weights and Measures	Sealer	LYnn 2-1696
Welfare	Welfare Department	LYnn 8-4400
Wiring Permits	Wire Inspector	LYnn 3-4538
Zoning	Building Inspector	LYnn 3-4538

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